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SUNG LOYAL TO NANKING NORTH CHINA STATUS

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDED AS OF CRITICAL IMPORTANCE TO CHINA AT THE PRESENT STAGE OF SINO-JAPANESE RELATIONS IS GIVEN CONSIDERABLE PROMINENCE BY THE CHINESE PRESS.

General Sung Cheh-yuan, chairman of the Charhar-Hopei Political Council, issued an official statement yesterday in Peiping in which he pledged his continued support of the Central Government.

The statement is given a warm welcome by the newspapers.

General Sung Cheh-yuan returned to Peiping yesterday from Tientsin after a two months' absence.

GOVERNMENT'S PROVINCE

He declared that he interviewed General Tashiro, the commander of the Japanese Garrison in North China, several times but he did not discuss diplomatic questions as these were within the province of the national government.

The *Ta Kung Pao* declares that Sung's position vis-a-vis the Japanese is extremely delicate and warns him to exercise the utmost care lest he should compromise Chinese rights in North China. — Reuter.

Rolls-Royce Strike Ends

London, To-day.

The strikes in the Rolls-Royce aircraft factory at Derby and the Fairey aircraft works ended yesterday and work has been resumed.

In both cases a compromise was arrived at, the workers expressing satisfaction at the granting of some of their demands. — Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone has increased considerably in intensity and extended southward; it now covers the greater part of China. A continental depression has moved rapidly from the Yangtse mouth to S. Japan, and will probably continue to move north-eastward.

Forecast:—N. and N.E. winds, fresh, cloudy with drizzle or mist.

Italian Troops With Rebel Army At Madrid

SENOR DEL VAYO'S ALLEGATION

(SPECIAL TO THE "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

"Italian and German troops are fighting on the side of the rebels," declared the Spanish Foreign Minister, Senor del Vayo, to newspapermen in Valencia yesterday.

SENOR DEL VAYO STATED THAT HE HAD DEFINITE PROOF IN THE FORM OF STATEMENTS MADE BY FOUR ITALIAN PRISONERS TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT FORCES.

The prisoners, he continued, had revealed that they arrived at Cadiz at the beginning of February with a contingent of 5,000 men.

German artillery, Senor del Vayo declared, was engaged in the same sector as the Italian troops.

Berlin official quarters say that all previous statements of this nature have been denied and that there is nothing to be added in the present instance. — Trans-Ocean.

Defence Communique

Colonel Rojo, temporarily in command at Madrid in the absence of General Miaja, told newspaper representatives yesterday that reports of the imminent fall of the capital are much exaggerated.

The Madrid Defence Council, however, has issued an official communique stating that defenders of the capital are in retreat following a large-scale attack by Italian troops.

An entire Italian mechanised division, says the communique, is concentrated on the Madrid-Saragossa highway.

Rebel headquarters announce that Brihuega has been captured and that they hope to reach Guadalajara this evening.

Mar Cantabrico

A London report states that the "Mar Cantabrico," which was shelled and set on fire in the Bay of Biscay, was not sunk as was previously reported.

The ship, it is stated, is being towed into port by a rebel cruiser. — Trans-Ocean.

Reuter says that the Mar Cantabrico has been towed into Ferrol and is being unloaded. A statement to this effect was broadcast by Gen. Queipo del Lano.

Forthcoming Wedding

The forthcoming marriage of Mr. Eduardo Alves, of "Valverde", No. 302, Prince Edward Road, and Miss Ines Maria de Lourdes Soares, of "Temple Tower", No. 38, Stubbs Road, has been announced.

Java Air Line To Manila

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Amsterdam, To-day.

Establishment of an air line between Java, Sourabaya and Manila is the subject of negotiations which are now being carried out in Washington.

The proposed line is being discussed by Albert Plessman, director of the Netherlands East Indies airways, and Department of State officials.

Should permission be given by the United States authorities, a five-day service between San Francisco and the Netherlands East Indies will ultimately be established. — Trans-Ocean.

Signor Grandi Made A Count

Rome, To-day.

The Italian Ambassador in London, Signor Dino Grandi, has been raised to the nobility by Royal Decree with the title of Count. — Trans-Ocean.

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MADRID'S FALL BELIEVED
TO BE IMMINENTPROPAGANDA LEAFLET AIR RAID
ON THE CAPITAL

Paris, To-day.

Leading articles in several of the Paris newspapers yesterday expressed the opinion that the fall of Madrid was imminent.

AN ARTICLE BY A FRENCH DEPUTY WARNS THE GOVERNMENT TO CHANGE THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE SITUATION IN SPAIN, AS THE LOOMING CAPTURE OF THE SPANISH CAPITAL, HE SAYS, WILL MEAN THE END OF THE CIVIL WAR.

The deputy suggests that France gets into touch with General Franco and takes measures to protect the Pyrenees frontier in the event of a panic in Spain following the capture of the old capital, resulting in a large-scale exodus into France.

There would also be the problem, he says, of the defeated loyalist armies.

Further Advances

Meanwhile further advances by the rebels towards Guadalajara were made yesterday, the loyalist being forced to evacuate several villages east of Madrid.

The hamlets of Alaminos, Colom and Hontaras fell to the insurgents after desperate fighting, says a rebel communique.

Rebel planes yesterday dropped pamphlets over Madrid advising the population to surrender.

Barcelona Bombed

Other rebel air squadrons carried out a bombing raid on Barcelona, where it is reported the barracks and aerodrome were hit and damaged.—Trans-Ocean.

Bus Strike
Affects All
Scotland

London, To-day.

No fewer than 10,000 bus conductors and drivers all over Scotland have gone on strike, according to reports in the newspapers.

The whole motor-bus system in Scotland has been put out of commission as a result.

The strike has been called as a protest to the reduction in wages recently suffered by employees of the transport companies.

Several villages have been completely cut off from the outside world as a result of the walk-out.—Trans-Ocean.

Labour Day Holiday
In France?

Paris, To-day.

May 1, celebrated by workers all over the world as Labour Day, should be proclaimed an official holiday in France, says a leftist newspaper in a leading article yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

PROF. BURKHARDT IN
WARSAW

Warsaw, To-day.

The recently-appointed League Commissioner for Danzig, Professor Burkhardt, arrived here yesterday. He is paying an official visit to members of the Polish Government.—Trans-Ocean.

War Fears
In North
EuropeCould Scandinavia
Remain Neutral?

Stockholm, To-day.

The unequivocal attack on any military defensive combination by the Scandinavian countries made by the Danish Premier, Mr. T. Stauning, has resulted in a sharp reaction in the Swedish press.

Mr. Stauning said the combination was not only impractical, owing to the diversity of interests, but was even dangerous.

One Swedish paper says that endeavours to form such a northern defence combination must be continued, since it will be difficult for the northern countries to remain neutral in the event of a European conflict, as they did in the Great War.

The other Swedish newspapers also express the view that a defensive alliance should be striven for, in spite of Denmark's desire for isolation.—Trans-Ocean.

WAR MANOEUVRES
ROUND LONDONPlanned On Unusually
Large Scale

London, To-day.

Military manoeuvres on an unprecedentedly large scale are to be carried out in the counties round London.

Altogether 50,000 troops will be employed in the war games, as well as tank battalions and other mechanised units.—Trans-Ocean.

DR. KUNG'S VISIT
TO LONDON

Nanking, To-day.

Dr. H. H. Kung, Chinese Minister of Finance and chief delegate to the Coronation of King George, has tentatively arranged to leave for London on board the Lloyd Triestino "Victoria" sailing on April 2.

Mr. Liu, director of the national health administration, will accompany him.—Renter.

The women's section of the Y.M.C.A. are holding a mah jongg and bridge drive in the West Lounge at 8 p.m. on Wednesday next.

A servicemen's whist drive will be held in the West Lounge of the Y.M.C.A. on Monday at 9 p.m.

THE WORLD GOES BY

NEWSPAPERMEN are said to have a wonderful insight into human nature and the lives of all the different types that make up this world of ours.

We on the *China Mail* are not forced to look far for glimpses into the lives of our fellow creatures, for surrounding us on every side are a series of dwellings, apparently built with the object of revealing as much of the lives of the occupants as possible.

From the office we can look right into a dozen bedrooms, sitting rooms and other rooms, all of which are most entertaining.

Whenever you see me gazing out of the window, Mr. Editor, with that rapt look on my face that you know so well, I am not day-dreaming but studying human nature, thereby fitting myself better for the serious duty of reporting how the world goes by. (O yeah?—Ed.)

There is the girl, very attractive, by the way, who promptly every morning at eight o'clock comes out onto the verandah and leans on the rail scanning the passers-by in Wyndham Street till noon.

She then breaks off for a light lunch and re-appears in the region of two o'clock, when she takes up the same position till five or so.

Sometimes I think she has turned into stone. Perhaps her lover has left her and she is hoping he will return. Perhaps she is on the look-out for shroffs. Perhaps she has a complex of sorts. Who knows? (And who cares?—Ed.)

Next door to her is a man who believes in exercise. He swings Indian clubs for at least two hours every day, after which he falls onto a bed and sleeps. Quite right, too. Personally I would be in hospital.

And then there is the family of nine crowded into a room four by two at least. There are also three cats.

In another room a perpetual mah jongg game goes on between half a dozen men who seem to have nothing else to do. Perhaps I have stumbled onto a gang of desperate criminals, who work by night and play by day. Perhaps, however, they are merely unemployed.

Perhaps further revelations would be indiscreet so just come back from across the way into the office.

Here, as I have said before, we are a hive of industry. Everyone, that is, except Ulysses, who has a strong disinclination to any form of work and regards attempts to make him earn his living with horror.

Why this is, I don't know, but I think I was born lazy. It is only by prodding me with a long sharply-pointed stick that the Editor can even wake me out of my slumbers. After that he has to get me started on something.

It took him a long time to realise that there is only one thing that spurs me into activity of any kind, and that—whisper it—is alcohol.

He now keeps a bottle of Scotch (inferior brand, though) with which he bribes me into working for him. "Not a drop until you do all those telegrams," he says. And I fall for it.

So if you ever pass down Wynd-

Belgian By-Election Drama

PREMIER MAY FACE
DEGRELLE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Brussels, To-day.

"Van Zeeland versus Degrelle"
"Premier Against Leader of the Right Wing Radicals."

Are the head lines with which the Belgian press announces the campaign to be held during the next five or six weeks before the supplementary election for a new deputy in the Chamber takes place.

Leon Degrelle's Rexist Party has forced the holding of the election through resignation of its deputy, M. Olivier.

The Premier, M. van Zeeland, announced in the Chamber yesterday, amid loud applause, that he was willing to enter the lists as an opponent to the Rexist leader in the coming election.

NO AFFILIATIONS

The Premier pointed out at the same time that he was not affiliated with any particular party.

The Rexist have often declared that they are insufficiently represented in Parliament and should the voting prove this, M. Degrelle will demand holding of a general election.

The Rexist at present have 23 deputies in the Chamber but they also have the support of the Radical Nationalist Flemish Party. — Trans-Ocean.

JUDICIARY REFORM FIGHT BEGINS

Close Questions In
The Senate

Washington, To-day.

The real fight over President Roosevelt's proposals to increase the judges of the Supreme Court began yesterday.

The Senate judiciary committee considered the proposals of the Attorney-General, Mr. Homer Cummings.

Mr. Cummings, urging adoption of the proposals, was closely questioned by Senator William Borah (Republican, Idaho).

One of Mr. Borah's questions was, "How are you going to know that the men you appoint are going to take a liberal view?"

Mr. Cummings replied, "We have to take that chance."

The proceedings were attended by 100 pressmen. — Reuter.

ham Street and sniff that alcoholic smell we all love you will know that it is feeding time for Ulysses.

War Games

You have all heard of the attack that is to be made on the Colony by land, air and sea in the coming manoeuvres. You will all want accurate information on the subject, which you won't get unless you read this column. My personal spies will be on every ship, every plane and with each body of troops. I will be receiving an accurate running commentary on the course of the war games, which will be published exclusively in this column. At this stage, however, I can reveal nothing except the result, which will be a decisive victory for the defence. It always is.

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A ten per cent. increase in output and a reduction of only \$41,500 in gross earnings against the estimate of \$220,000 as a result of the lowering of rates for lighting and power was announced by Mr. M. T. Johnson, presiding this morning at the 48th ordinary yearly meeting of the Hong Kong Electric Company, Ltd.

The Chairman said:—The net profit after providing for depreciation is \$1,738,541.40, and with \$244,451.29 brought forward from last year we have the sum of \$1,982,992.69 for appropriation. On September 11th we paid an interim dividend of \$1 per share absorbing \$600,000 and with the balance we propose:—

To pay a final dividend of \$1.50 per share absorbing \$900,000.00
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To place to Reserve \$100,000.00
To carry forward to next Account \$232,992.69
Bearing in mind that an additional 150,000 shares ranked for dividend this year as compared with last I think you will agree that the total dividend and bonus of \$2.75 per share is not unsatisfactory.

COST OF CONCESSIONS

The gross earnings are \$41,488.03 less than last year, this is due to the lower rates for lighting and power which came into operation on 11th July, 1935. You will remember that at the last General Meeting I mentioned that the cost of these concessions to our Consumers would amount to about \$220,000 per annum, but I am glad to say that increased sales of current for power have already partially offset the reduced rates.

In spite of considerable economies which were effected in generation, and lower costs of coal, the profit on working shows a falling off of \$150,058.21 most of which is due to the comparatively low exchange rates which prevailed throughout the year.

We have set aside for depreciation a total of \$697,328 which, although the customary conservative scale has been adhered to, is somewhat less than in 1935.

BIG OUTPUT

The output from our plant at North Point was 53,990,031 units, an increase of 5,176,408 units, or 10.6 per cent. over the previous year's working. This increase is again entirely due to larger sales of current for power.

The fall in the sales of current for lighting purposes, which has been noted on two previous occasions, has continued, but I hope that with the return of more prosperous times our revenue from this source will once again take an upward trend.

There was a satisfactory increase of 1,715 in the number of meters connected as compared with an increase of 716 in 1935, and this brings the total number of meters connected to our mains to 40,615.

Turning to the Balance Sheet, you will observe that the Reserve now stands at \$4,800,000, a decrease of \$1,100,000. You will remember that at the last meeting you approved the placing to Reserve of \$400,000 and the capitalisation of a portion of our Reserve amounting to \$1,500,000.

On the Assets side, Investments remain practically the same, no further investments having been made; the market value of your investments on 31st December, 1936, was less than the purchase value by \$5,827.75, which compares with \$102,302.75 at 31st December, 1935.

CASH RESOURCES

Cash at hand and on current account and fixed deposit was \$2,242,167.39, an increase of \$665,079.65 over last year.

During the year we expended on capital account \$383,478, the principal items being payments in respect of the extension to our Generating Station building, two new reinforced concrete coal bins, which provide storage for 7,000 tons of coal, equipment for new substations at Sassoon Road and Stanley, and a number of smaller works in connection with the feeder and distribution system.

Forty-eight ships discharged 42,300 tons of coal alongside our wharf at North Point. Incidentally you may be interested to know that this wharf has been named Macle's Wharf. Our property at North Point has

been extended and greatly improved by the inclusion of land which was formerly Shaukiwan Road and Power Street; you will remember that part of this land was bought from Government in 1926 and the remainder in 1934.

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I take this opportunity of recording your Directors' appreciation of the services rendered by the Manager, Staff and Workmen.

LOW RATES

The Hon. Mr. A. W. Hughes, seconding the proposal, said:—

I feel confident that I voice the views of Shareholders when I affirm we have listened with satisfaction to the speech that you, Mr. Chairman, have just delivered.

The increase of over 10 per cent. in the output of our plant is most gratifying and may be taken as a proof of the very efficient and cheap service which we render to the public.

This cheap service is not always apparent to the layman, but at the present rate of exchange our charge to the smallest consumer works out at two pence farthing and three farthings per unit for light and power respectively. These low rates must compare favourably with any similar electricity supply undertaking and, indeed, with many concerns of much greater output. I believe I am correct in saying that in one of the largest manufacturing towns in England, where the generating station has the advantage of fuel supplies being situated almost at the pit head, the corresponding rates are fourpence halfpenny and three halfpence respectively. Furthermore, I understand, in one of the largest cities of India the respective rates are a little more than twopence halfpenny and three farthings per unit.

The results of the year's operations reflect credit on the Directors, Agents and Staff, and I offer them my congratulations.

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. T. E. Pearce and the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson were re-elected to the Board of Directors on the proposal of Mr. A. McKellar, seconded by Leung Fat-tin, and Messrs. Linstead and Davis, were re-elected auditors, at a remuneration of \$2,500, on the proposal of Mr. J. C. Dunbar, seconded by Capt. F. L. Brown.

Mr. M. T. Johnson (Chairman of Directors) presided and was supported by Sir Robert Ho Tung, Kt., the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Kt., Mr. T. E. Pearce, the Hon. Mr. Stanley H. Dodwell, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson (Directors) and Mr. V. Sorby (Manager). Shareholders were represented by Messrs. Lam Kwai, J. C. Dunbar, The Hon. Mr. A. W. Hughes, Messrs. Wong Chi Po, Ko Koon Fan, Capt. F. L. Brown, Mr. Leung Fat-tin, The Hon. Mr. T. N. Chan, Messrs. Lo Kai Wing, A. McKellar, M. M. Currie, Wong Ping Sun, G. W. Sewell, Chua Song Choo, J. M. Jack and A. Morris.

COST OF LIVING RISING

London, To-day.

The Board of Trade index of wholesale prices was one per cent. higher in February than in January and 13.3 per cent. higher than the year before. Average prices in February were higher than any month since March 1930.

—British Wireless.

THE TOM CAT

HERE. Sit right here. No, wait. Wait'll I get Tom off that chair. He sits around all day as if he was stuffed. I guess he is from all he eats. Weighs close to thirty pounds and getting fatter all the time. And lazier.

A while back I wouldn't have dared to pick him up like that. He would have had the hand off me. But sometimes I feel kind of sorry for him now.

I've never told anybody about it. Made me feel too queer. Still does, for that matter when I run across him all of a sudden around the house like one of those Suki-yaki prints or whatever that Jap's name was.

You know my wife, don't you? Never met her? That's right, you didn't. Well, she'll be in soon, but don't let on about this. It'll do me good to get it unloaded, and as long as you don't know her, that's all the better. I wouldn't dare tell any of the people we mix around with out here.

Well you know I'm her second husband, or don't you? Her first husband died about eight years ago. Pneumonia. That's him over there in the silver frame. Good-looking devil, especially in that picture. I knew him years ago, but I never knew Fran. Funny, isn't it: In fact, I knew him before they were married. Tall man with black hair and a fine set of teeth he liked to flash at the girls. Good dancer, too, and a regular heller in those days.

Anyway, after he died, Fran and I met, and sooner or later it was bound to happen. I've never regretted it. She's a great little girl and nobody could get along better than we do and we've been going along for six, pretty near seven, years.

We'd been married I guess about four months when one night—she works, too, you know; she's in a real estate office across town; been there for years—one night she came in a little after me and she had a black kitten with her. She'd found it, or it found her, on the way home. Ran along in front of her until she noticed it and then she couldn't bear to leave it. She brought it along in. She fed it out in the kitchen and it purred all around, rubbing up against her ankles. It was about six or eight months old, I suppose. Just past the fuzzy stage and beginning to string out a little. It was all bony and ragged looking, as if it had never had a home.

She made a great fuss over it. Gave it cream and went out to the delicatessen for some of the best salmon. The cat nearly went crazy over that. Swarmed all over the place while she was opening the can.

Now, I like dogs, but I don't care much about cats. Can't stand them, as a matter of fact, except when they're kittens and they'll chase a string or something. But ordinary cats, no. And do you know, right from the first that cat wouldn't let me come near him. Stiffened up and hissed as soon as I reached out a finger. Of course, I tried right away to be nice to the animal because she seemed to like it so. But when I tried to rub its back it scrooched away and made a pass at me. So I snatched my hand back. I



The Cat Became A Symbol To The Wife And For A While It Was All Right

thought it was making strange because of mistreatment.

"Well," I said to Fran, "what are you going to do with it? We haven't got much room in the apartment and we're both away all day. We can't keep a cat. Better let me call up the SPCA."

Say, do you know, her eyes filled right up with tears and she said No! She almost yelled it. Scared me. She grabbed up the cat and held him to her breast and rubbed her face on that mangy black fur.

"No!" she said, and she looked at me as if I'd struck her. I've never hit a woman in my life. "No!" she said. "Tommy is going to stay here."

Tommy, mind you. She had a name for him already. And I can't even tell what a cat's sex is

course, I knew very well he'd wolf it down the minute her back was turned. Cats are opportunists that way. They never save a thing for the next meal. They know somebody will be fool enough to provide it for them. And did she provide! And did he gobble it! He's eaten some of the damndest messes of food I've ever seen, even at a woman's bridge lunch.

So, as I said, it was all right for a while, until Tommy began to get used to the place and had himself pretty well established. He filled out nicely and got sleek and shiny and fat.

Then, one night I came in before she did and Tommy was in my chair. That's my chair you're in now. No, stay right where you are. I only mention

across the living room. I thought I'll get you. Scaring me like that. So I went back and reached for him again. This time he didn't make a sound. Just flashed out one paw and laid open the back of my hand. I bled like a stuck pig. I was still doctoring myself in the bathroom when she came in.

"You've got to get rid of that damn cat," I said, sore, as I could be. "He like to killed me just now when I wanted to get him out of my chair."

Well, she broke right down and sobbed until pretty soon I began to feel like a fool.

"You must have done something to him," she said. "He never



would have scratched you if you hadn't." And nothing I could say would convince her I hadn't been swinging him around by the tail or something. So nothing came of it after all, except I grumped around a little bit. But I saw she really was fond of that cat, so I shut up. It really wasn't much of a scratch.

That was only the first. He'd sit in that chair every day. He must have spent all his time there in the daytime while we were working. There were black cat hairs all over it. I was getting so that some of the people I sat next to in the subway were sniffing at me. She had to lift the cat out of the chair every night for me to sit down. He didn't mind her, but I didn't dare. And after I got settled with my book or magazine, he'd sit somewhere else and look at me. Every once in a while he'd take a patrol around and make it a point to walk near the chair. I could feel the hairs on my legs crinkling when he came near. But he never

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By Gregory Hartswick

until it has kittens. Tommy. I was sort of taken aback. I didn't know what to say. But I hemmed and hawed around and finally said that if she felt that strongly about it, why all right, keep the damn cat.

So she did, and there he is to prove it. It was all right for a while. He didn't make any trouble around the house. No messes or anything, and that sort of surprised me, he being a street cat and all. But he seemed to be housebroken, even though we had to leave him alone in the apartment all day.

She would put out some fish in a dish for him last thing before she left in the morning and tell him that was for lunch. Of

it to give you the picture. Well, he was in it.

"Out," I said while I was taking off my coat. He just looked at me and I noticed for the first time that he had a mean eye. When I came in I only turned on the reading lamp at the chair and the room was pretty dim. You could hardly see him against that dark brown stuff, but his eyes were glittering in the shadow. Sort of creepy.

"Come on," I said. "Get out. I'm ready for that chair."

And I reached out my hand for him. He didn't move a hair, but when my hand was about six inches away from him he let out a shriek that went through me like a knife. I landed clear



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NECK—LONG AND SHORT

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POETS have often praised the beauty of their fair ladies' necks with similes of aesthetic worth. They have referred to that section of the anatomy which extends from shoulders to head as being swan-like, or like a column of ivory, or alabaster. It is as distasteful to a woman to have a neck like a giraffe as it is to have no neck at all. However, there is no reason to despair in either case. The length of a neck, and the quality of its beauty can be controlled with the clothes you wear, the care you give it, and your coiffure.

The little imp of carelessness, which is always present in human beings, is responsible for more rough, wrinkled, and unsightly necks than nature originally intended. There can be no other reason for a woman to carefully make up her face, nourish it with cream, and then leave her neck to stand on its own merits.

There are a few rules in regard to the neck that should never be varied. Keep it as clean as your face and give it the same beauty treatments that your face receives. In fact, skin and tissue cream is even more essential to the skin on your neck than it is to your face, for wrinkles on the face are always preceded by wrinkles on the neck. Your neck is your age barometer.

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Having a wide face with prominent temples, Eleanor Whitney must wear her rouge high in a triangular pattern. Thus the temples become less prominent.

NECK—LONG AND SHORT

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When it comes to the length of your neck, you know best whether it is too long or too short. If it is too long then wear your hair correspondingly low on your neck. This will make it seem much shorter and more graceful.

A short neck can also be corrected to a certain extent with either the haircut or coiffure. This type should avoid long bobs, if the hair is cut, and should have the hairline at the nape of the neck shaped so that it comes down to a point. Higher hairdresses will be found more becoming than they are to the lady with a swan-like neck like Lily Pons.

Clothes, too, have a decided effect on necklines, and the ability to create a flattering foundation for a lovely face. The woman with a long, bony neck should wear neckwear that is concealing, and, whenever possible, fluffy. Whereas the woman with a short neck can add long, grateful lines by adapting a low, preferably pointed, neckline.

It must be remembered that there is nothing more important in choosing clothes than the neckline. The colour might as well not be becoming to you, or it might as well make you look too fat or too thin, as to destroy the symmetry that should be in the neckline

—the introduction to your face.

Necks, like ears, should never be shown unless they are beautiful. They should always be perfectly groomed, and the lady who fancies bobbed hair should not neglect the frequent trimming of her neck. Unfortunately, you do not always face other people as you do your mirror.

Beauty should never have a definite line drawn between beginning and end. Face, neck, figure, hands, costume, accessories, and even shoes should always be a perfect blend, designed to enhance and reveal the true personality of the person.

The stars who are dressed by the finest designers in the world and made up by the most talented make-up experts do not all have perfect necks, yet no one is ever aware of the fact.

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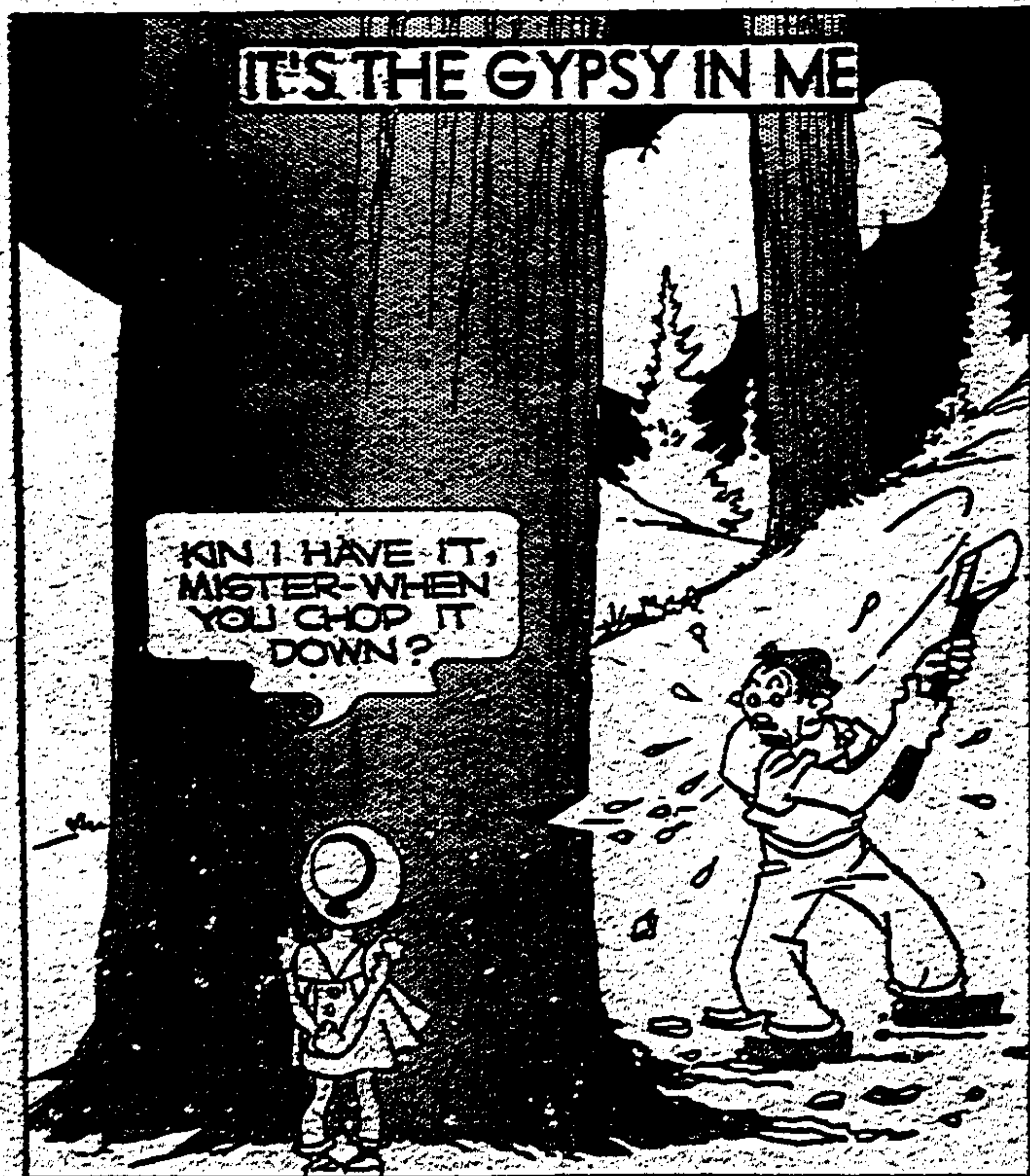


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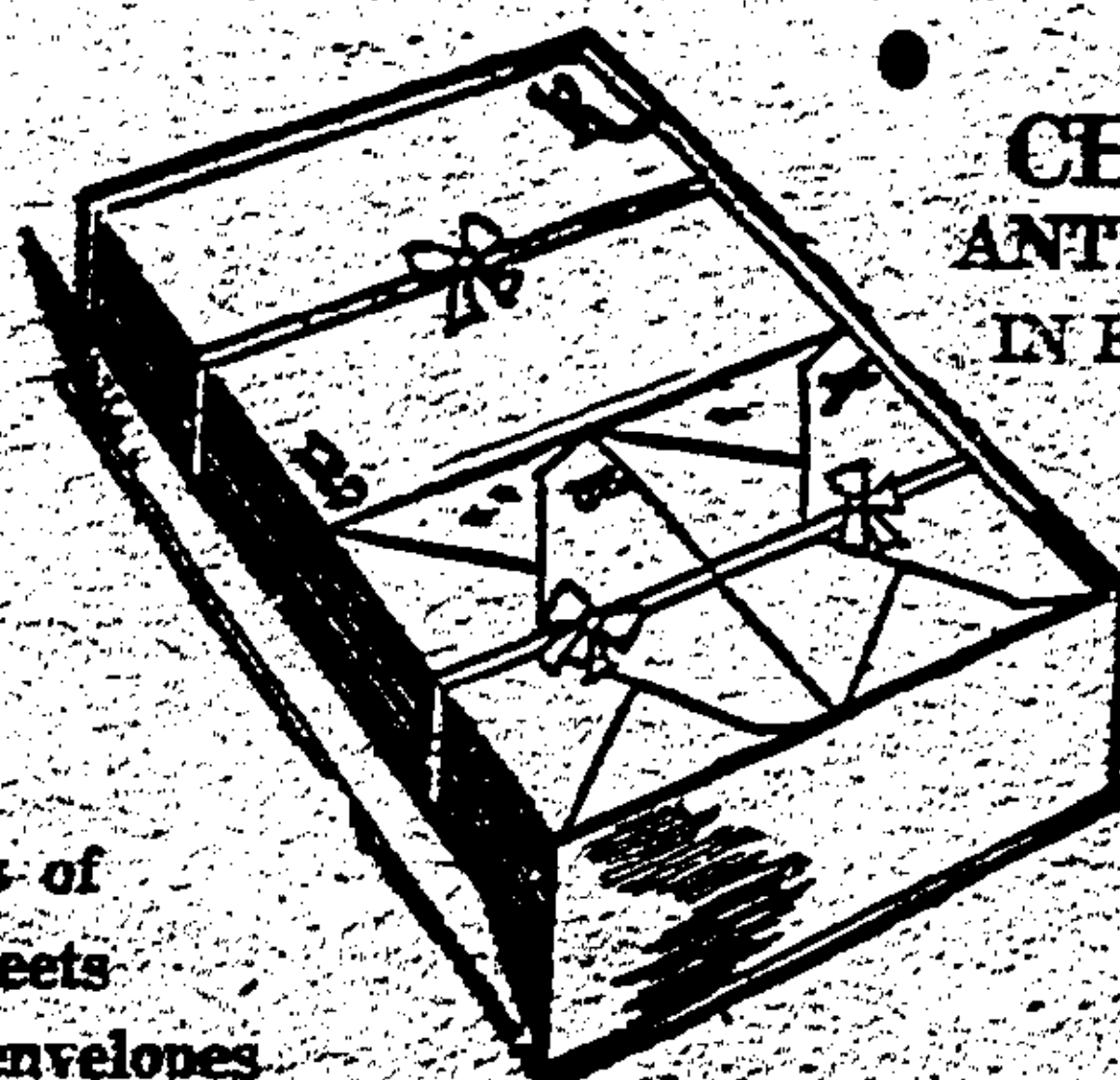
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Leeds (1)	v	ARSENAL (1)
LIVERPOOL (2)	v	Preston (1)
MANCHESTER C. (1)	v	Huddersfield (2)
MIDDLESBORO (0)	v	Bolton (0)
PORTSMOUTH (2)	v	Sunderland (2)
Stoke (0)	v	Derby (0)
WEST BROMWICH (6)	v	Everton (1)

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Exeter (1)	v	WATFORD (2)
LUTON (3)	v	Northampton (3)
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... and who the other gentleman was who answered:

"What is love? A cigar. The brighter it burns the quicker it's ashes. What is marriage? The ashtray."

...

... who the local businessman is of whom the following story is told. A friend came to visit him while his wife was away. He said: "I'm running this house now. We got to show these women we can manage without them. You can have anything you want for dinner, Jimmy. Will you have some rice pudding?"

The friend said: "I never eat rice pudding."

"In that case," said the businessman solemnly, "the dinner is over."

...

... who the "big-game hunter" is who had just returned from a visit to Africa. He was showing a friend some souvenirs he had brought back from the deep, dark jungles.

He pointed to a butterfly net with a large wooden handle.

"See that net?" he asked. "I caught a lion with that one night — but I let the beast go free."

The friend was a trifle skeptical.

"Don't kid me," he smiled. "Who ever heard of anyone catching a lion with a butterfly net? If you told me you caught a rare type of butterfly — well, that I might believe."

The hunter nodded.

"Come to think of it," he mused, "perhaps it was a butterfly I snared that night. I'm not sure."

The friend shook his head.

"Make up your mind," he cried. "What did you catch — a butterfly or a lion?"

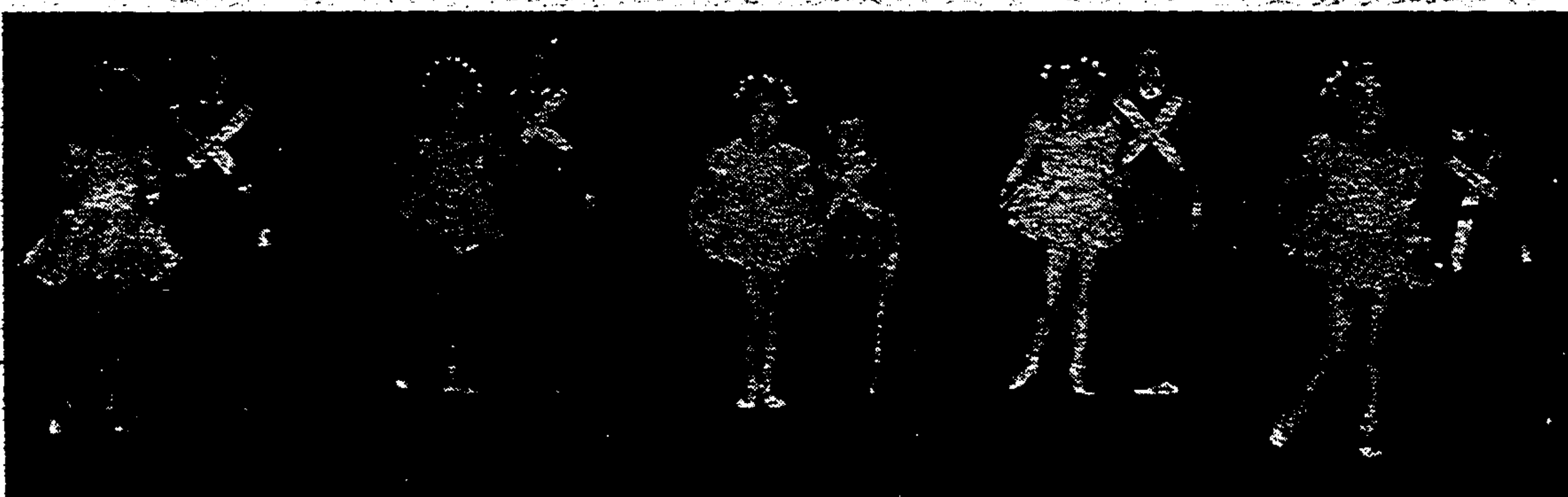
The hunter shrugged.

"It is hard to say," he sighed. "It was very dark that night!"

by The HEADHUNTER



A chorus of charming little tots who will be seen at the King's Theatre on April 1 when Mr. George Goncharoff presents his ballet.



Another attractive number from Mr. Goncharoff's ballet.



A section of the large crowd which watched the Seven-a-side Rugby finals at Happy Valley last Saturday. In the front row (from left to right) are Mr. V. M. Grayburn, Chairman of the Hong Kong Football Club and Rear-Admiral C. G. Sedgwick, Commodore H.M. Naval Establishments, and Mrs. Sedgwick. In the second row at left are Mrs. S. H. Dodwell and Miss Dodwell, while third from right in the same row is Mr. P. L. Leefe. ("China Mail" photo).

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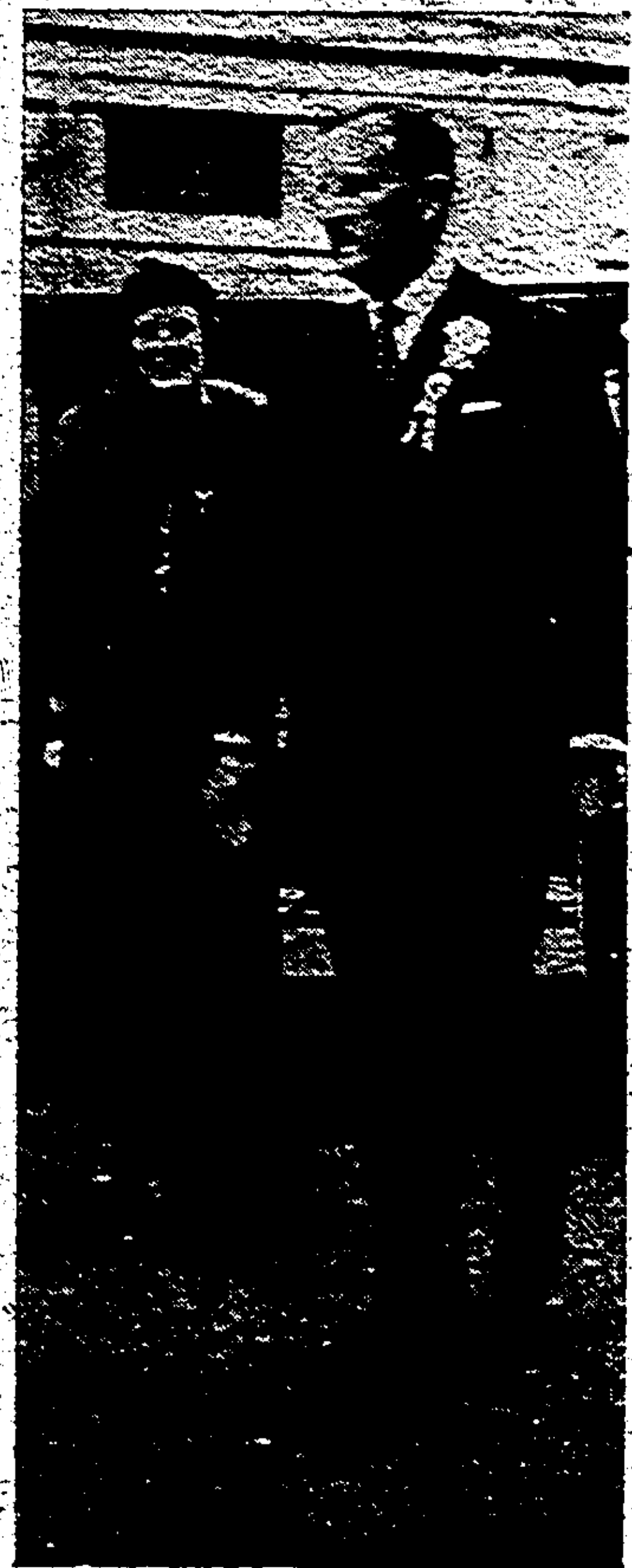
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Lady Caldecott and Colonel H. B. L. Dowbiggin arriving at the Hong Kong Flower Show last Tuesday. ("China Mail" photo).



Mrs. Claude Austin, wife of the Hon. Secretary of the Rugby section of the Hong Kong Football Club, selling a programme to a spectator at last Saturday's Seven-a-side finals. ("China Mail" photo).

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THE TOM CAT

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touched me. He'd see me watching him over the top of the page and drawing up my knees just a fraction. Then he'd stop and sneer at me and go back to his pillow at the fireplace. You'd have sworn he was grinning at me. A nasty grin.

Then he'd come in to dinner with us. We eat out a lot but one or two nights a week she fixes it up at home. She's a pretty good hand in the kitchen, too, and I enjoy it. But he began to spoil that, too. He'd get up on a chair so his head was just over the edge of the table and he'd watch us eating. Every time she'd help me to something, he'd make a sound in his throat. And he seemed to be counting every mouthful I took. Sort of calculating. Once she had club steaks. There's a little heart in that cut that she knows I'm fond of. When she came to that part of her meat, she always used to hold it out to me on her fork. This night she did, and Tommy growled. She stopped and turned to him. Then she held it out to him and he grabbed it with that neat little nip that cats have. I burned up. He chewed it with jerky little bites, watching me. Then he ran his tongue around his jaws and looked at me, completely expressionless. It was the most insolent look I've ever seen on man or beast. I slammed out of the house. Couldn't trust myself.

You can see the thing was beginning to get me. I was being muscled out of my own house by a cat. And I was perfectly well aware that the animal was coming between us. You could see it in lots of ways. I couldn't stand the way she'd lavish affection on him. She knew I hated it and tried to hold off and pet him only when I wasn't there to see. But she would forget and start talking baby talk to him and then look up and find me glaring at her and that would ruin the evening. We'd go to bed sore and only get patched up at breakfast.

I wasn't bearing up under the strain. And then it got worse. You know, I don't like to talk about this part. But I think you'll understand. You and I haven't seen each other in years, but we're old friends and we understand each other and we used to be pretty frank between ourselves, didn't we? Well, what I want you to know is that Fran and I get along well. You know, in every way.

But that damn cat would follow her around all the time. Every time I put my arm around her he'd be sitting on top of the radio looking at me with a dead pan but with a positively terrifying gleam in his eye. And if we were sitting on the davenport and I happened to want to kiss her, he'd jump up on her lap. That would make me pull away and he knew it.

She usually got ready for bed before me at night and when I'd come into the bedroom, there he'd be, curled up on the spread beside her. Before I could get un-

dressed and get into bed, she'd have to get up and put him outside in the living room and close the door. I know I'm no Hercules, but I'll be dogged if I was going to have any cat squat there and leer at me while I was taking my clothes off. Even after she put him on the other side of the door he'd stay there and miaow and scratch the panels.

It was getting mighty bad. That cat was breaking up a home. I was getting irritable and short with her and my old nervous indigestion was coming back on me. And she was getting circles under her eyes from crying when I'd fly off about something. I'd curse that cat and yell at him and he'd either sneer at me or turn his back and walk out into the other room. Then I'd take it out on her and we'd work up a real brawl that would have all the neighbours hanging out their windows. But she would not get rid of that cat no matter how much I stormed and raved and threatened.

Well, the thing finally blew up. It couldn't keep on that way. It was a summer Sunday morning. We always liked our Sunday mornings in bed. I would get up and make coffee and bring the Times into the bedroom and we'd read together while we drank our coffee and smoked cigarettes. This Sunday I'm speaking of was like that. For once I wasn't thinking about that cat. We were feeling pretty good. Everything seemed to be back to normal. So I leaned over to kiss her. I wouldn't tell you this at all only it's part of the whole thing. So I leaned over and put my arm around her to kiss her.

There was a dreadful screech and a thud and I felt as if all the devils in hell were going up and

down my back with thousands of rusty victrola needles. I thought I was being murdered. She screamed and I howled. I thrashed and twisted and the bed slats fell through with a crash. I got out of the wreck at last and got hold of that damn Tom. I grabbed him by the scruff and while he was clawing my arm I drew back and threw him out the window. It was three stories up. She screamed again.

"Tom! Tom! Oh, you've killed him," she yelled. "God, it was like something you'd read about. She was standing there with her hair hanging down and her body was all streaked up with blood. My blood. I could feel it running down my back.

"Tom," I said, and I said it as nasty as I possibly could, and that was pretty nasty. I was not only scared to death, with the reaction just setting in, but I was as mad as I've ever been or will be. My knees gave out and I sat down on the ruins of the bed with my teeth chattering. "I hope to God I did kill him," I said. "He nearly killed me and all you can say is 'Tom!'" Do you know, she wasn't even listening to me. She was looking out the window for him and giving all the neighbours something to talk about for weeks. I staggered over and dragged her in.

"That cat goes," I said. "If he lives, and I hope I killed him, either he goes or I go."

"But it's Tom!" She was almost wailing. "Tom! Don't you see?"

I didn't, but her eyes were so wild and her face so twisted that I backed away and sat down again. It jolted me into being quiet, if you think anybody can be quiet sitting in a walter of his

own blood after an attack by a wild beast. It took me an hour to get it all out of her and so help me God I was terrified at the end of that time. My skin was crawling and I felt as if I had been kicked in the belly.

Did I tell you her first husband's name was Tom? That should explain it to you. Even while she was talking, things kept coming back. I remembered how Tom always used to stretch like a cat: said it was good for you. I remembered a way he had of rubbing his nose with the back of his wrist; the cat did that, too, when he was sitting drowsing. I remembered the way Tom walked, gracefully and softly, like a cat, and how nimble and supple he was. Of course, that's all silly; you might draw any number of comparisons between cats and men in little actions like that. But there was one thing I remembered that brought out the cold sweat — Tom and that cat shared a passion I never encountered before or since, a passion for maple syrup poured over a fried egg.

Well, you can see that throwing him out the window didn't hurt him any. He was back at the front door when she opened it after painting me with iodine. He streaked past me and hid under the gas range.

You might have thought he was scared of me. But that wasn't what makes him so easy to handle now. No, sir — I fixed everything up. We're just as happy now as the day we married, and she still has her Tom. Everybody's satisfied, except maybe Tom, and even he seems more or less contented. You see the very next day after that happened I took Tom to a good vet.

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Bridge Problem

The bidding (both sides vulnerable):

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2 ♠	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	6 ♥	Pass
Pass	Double (final bid)		

Obviously, South "hid" his head off! West opens the spade nine. How should South play to fulfill his contract?

South

ANSWER: Win with spade ace and lead diamond queen. East covers. South wins and leads diamond jack, noting drop of West's ten. Diamond suit is now solid, but declarer must not simply go about drawing trumps. If he does East will take trump ace on second lead and return diamond for West to ruff. To avoid this declarer should ruff diamond himself, thus taking last diamond away from East, and then lead trumps.

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Orchestra—
Prelude (Haydn Wood).

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Spanish Serenade (Heykens).
Orchestra—
Danse des Apaches (Clarke).
Romance in E Flat, Op. 44, No. 1 (Rubinstein).
Violin Solo—
O sole mio (Di Capua).
Orchestra—
The Mill in the forest (Ellenberg).
Monastery bells (Wely).
7.10 p.m.—Old Musical Comedy Hits.
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The song is you.
I've told every little star,
Layton & Johnstone.
"My songs from the shows",
Marie Burke.
"The New Moon"—Wanting you,
Lawrence Tibbett.
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons at the piano.
Judy,
Stars fell on Alabama.
You never looked so beautiful.

7.45 p.m.—Songs of the Sea.
Deep Sea Mariner (McCall).
Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).
Sea Shanties.....Gerald and His Accordion Band, and Male Chorus.
The Admiral's Broom (Bevan).
Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Chinese Concert.
11 p.m.—Close down.
8.05-11 p.m.—European programme from Z.E.K.
8.05 p.m.—Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 36 (Beethoven), played by the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Clemens Krauss.
1st Movement—Adagio molto—
Allegro con-brio.
2nd " —Larghetto.
3rd " —Scherzo—Allegro.
4th " —Allegro molto.
8.38 p.m.—Septet, Op. 65 (Saint-Saens), played by Foveau (Trumpet), Cantrelle (1st Violin), Bellanger (2nd Violin), Vieux (Viola), Marneff (Cello), Nanny (Double-Bass) and Faure (Piano).
8.55 p.m.—London—News and Announcements.
9.15 p.m.—"The Jolly Roberts"—Overture (Suppe), played by the B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.

9.23 p.m.—London—"Food" for Thought." Three short talks on matters of topical interest. (Electrical Recording).
9.45 p.m.—A Song Recital in French by Lys Gauty.
J'Attends un Navire.
A Song Selection.
10 p.m.—London—Big Ben.
Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—
Miracles sometimes happen,
Just say 'Aloha.'
Waltz—
Beautiful love,
A perfect day.
Fox-Trot—
Oh, you rogue,
Mickey Mouse's birthday party.
Rumba—Buscando Millionaria.
Fox-Trot—
The girl in the garden,
Afterglow.
Waltz—Vienna, city of my dreams,
Slow Fox-Trot—Poor Butterfly.
Fox-Trot—
The stars weep,
You turned the tables on me.
Words without music.
The moment of moments.
Lost.
No greater love.
The one rose,
Waltz—Secret rendezvous.
11 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Honour Tricks For Slams

A slam must not be attempted unless the combined hands hold at least three aces. A void suit and trump strength are equivalent to an ace. The possession of aces, shown by the four-five no trump convention, and the void showing convention will be discussed later.

Second Round Control

In addition to aces or voids in three suits a player must have second round control in the fourth suit. Second round control consists of a singleton or the king of the suit. In either case the opponents can win only one immediate trick, the ace. Usually the slam can best be bid by the player who holds second round control.

Choosing Between A Suit And A No Trump Slam

In most cases it is better to bid a slam in the best suit rather than in no trump. In a suit additional tricks usually can be won by ruffing. In no trump, unless there is a long suit which can be established without losing two tricks, all the tricks needed must be won with honours, so that the hand must contain not only virtually all of the honour tricks, but all of the intermediate cards as well.

Even at suit slams, in addition to the powerful suit, the necessary suit controls and almost all of the honour tricks, an establishable five card or longer side suit usually will be needed or it will be impossible to develop as many as twelve tricks while losing only one.

Asking Bid Triumph

To-day's hand was submitted by a correspondent with the question: "Should, or would, experts have arrived at the grand slam in the bidding and, if so, how, would they have arrived at this contract?"

North, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S 8

H A 9 8 6

D A Q 7

C A J 9 7 5

WEST

S K 10 7 5

H 2

D J 10 9 6

C Q 8 3 2

EAST

S Q 9 3

H 7 4

D K 8 5 2

C K 10 6 4

SOUTH
S A J 6 4 2
H K Q J 10 5 3
D 4 3
C None.

Few hands could be more perfectly suited to asking bids. The bidding should go:

North East South West
1 club Pass 1 heart Pass
3 hearts Pass 4 spades Pass
5 no trump Pass *7 hearts

*Final contract.

The one club opening, one heart response, and three heart raise all are automatic. The four spade asking bid, however, starts to work a machine of such precision that errors are virtually out of the question. North finds golden opportunity to disclose his precise ace holding and spade distribution at one fell swoop. Five no trump, as an answer to an asking bid, shows second [or first] round control of the asked suit and three aces, exactly what North held. After that response South virtually could count thirteen tricks. North's advertised diamond and club aces would control the opening lead in either suit, and the club ace would provide discarding facility for South's losing diamond. North must have at least four hearts for his jump raise and, therefore, whether his second round control was a singleton or the king the losers in South's suit could almost certainly be ruffed out. There was precisely one type hand that North might hold that would jeopardize a grand slam. Such a hand as:

S K x x H A x x x D A J 10 x C A x
But even with this [certainly not as likely as a hand containing any one of these spade combinations: Kx, K Q, K Q x, or a singleton] the contract still might be made on a finesse. Certainly, a grand slam became an odds-on choice the moment North responded to four spades with five no trump.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: What is the correct opening bid on the following hand?
S A 8 5 3 H K J 7 D A K 7 C 10 8 5
Answer: One diamond.

What's On At the Cinemas

COMING PICTURES

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Special Agent", with Bette Davis and George Brent. This picture is said to reveal the inner workings of the U.S. Treasury department, and shows a new angle of the American Government's activities against public enemies.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"The Flying Hostess", with William Gargan, Judith Barrett and William Hall. A thrilling romance of the skies.

AT THE KING'S—"The Man Who Lived Twice", with Ralph Bellamy, Marian Marsh and Isabel Jewell. A blood-chilling drama of a killer resurrected and transformed into a reputable and eminent surgeon.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Under Your Spell", with Lawrence Tibbett, Wendy Barrie, Gregory Ratoff and Arthur Treacher. A roughhouse romance that hits the high spots of comedy, action, rhythm and excitement.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Trouble for Two", with Robert Montgomery and Rosalind Russell. Based on "The Suicide Club" by Robert-Louis Stevenson. A comedy adventure with a laugh for every romantic thrill.

AT THE STAR—"Little Lord Fauntleroy", with Dolores Costello Barrymore, Freddie Bartholomew, C. Aubrey Smith, Guy Kibbee and Mickey Rooney. The familiar story adapted to the screen, is laid in the America and England of 1885 and depicts the softening influence of Fauntleroy's devotion upon his irascible of old grandfather, the Earl of Dorincourt.

"Pennies From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season. Coming to the King's.

"Craig's Wife"—with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before. Coming to the King's Theatre.

"China Clipper"—With Pat O'Brien, Beverley Roberts, Ross Alexander, Humphreys Bogart and Henry B. Walthall. A glamorous romance of the air, marking a milestone in the pictorial history of daring American aviation, coming to the King's Theatre.

"Satan Met A Lady"—with Bette Davis, Warren William, Alison Skipworth, Arthur Treacher and Winifred Shaw. A new thriller from the author of "The Thin Man" which will keep you in laughter from start to finish, coming to the King's.

"Avenging Waters"—with Ken Maynard, Beth Marion and Ward Bond. A roaring romance of the west packed with spine-thrilling adventures. Coming to the Alhambra.

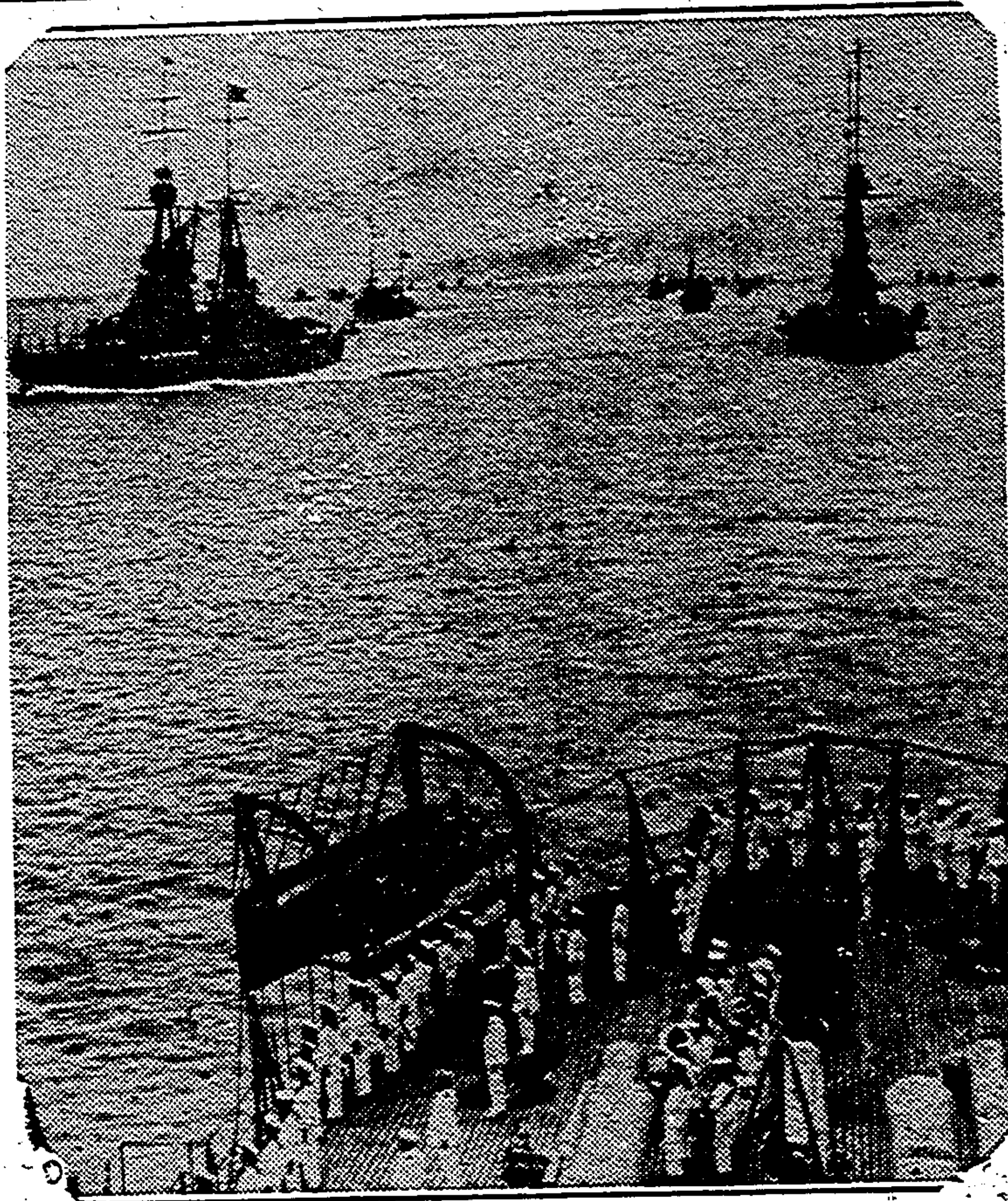
"The Man I Marry", with Doris Nolan, Michael Whalen, "Chic" Sale and Nigel Bruce. A rollicking romantic comedy in which Doris Nolan, Universal's newest find, gives an outstanding performance. Coming to the Alhambra.



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An impressive concentration of the Italian Navy which is to carry out manoeuvres in the Mediterranean off the Libyan coast in the next few days.

Mussolini Sails For Navy War Games

ROME, TO-DAY.

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI BOARDED THE ITALIAN CRUISER "POLA" AT NAPLES YESTERDAY TO ATTEND THE LARGE-SCALE MANOEUVRES OF THE ITALIAN FLEET.

He was accompanied, among others, by Signor Mario Lessona (Colonial Minister), Signor Dino Alfieri (Press Minister) and Signor Archille Starace (secretary-general of the Fascist Party).

At the conclusion of the first phase of the manoeuvres, the first squadron will sail to Tabruk and the second squadron to Tripoli, where combined exercises with the colonial air force will be held.

The naval manoeuvres are causing highly patriotic comments in the Italian newspapers on Italy's "Mediterranean mission."

"NERVE CENTRE"

Signor Gayda, writing in "Giornale d'Italia," says that the Mediterranean is Italy's vital nerve

ORGANISING THE CORONATION

Special Traffic Routes

London, To-day.

Special traffic routes will be organised during Coronation week by the police and the London Transport Council.

Souvenir maps of London in seven colours will be printed showing special bus routes.

Underground trains will run day and night for three days, while special buses from other parts of the country will be run.—Reuter.

SUN YAT-SEN ANNIVERSARY

Canton, To-day.

To-morrow being the 12th anniversary of the death of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, party, military and political officials in Canton have arranged to hold a memorial meeting at the Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall at 9 a.m.—Our Own Correspondent.

Nanking, To-day.

The German, American, Japanese and French Ambassadors and the Ministers of Denmark and Chile called on Dr. Wang Chung-hui, the new Foreign Minister yesterday.—Our Own Correspondent.

centre.

"It is more to Italy than an imperial route, for it is the sole maritime highway at Italy's disposal.

"The Duce's visit to Libya, an Italian colony on the other side of the Mediterranean, shows that Italy must control this stretch of sea for reasons of national defence.

"Italy is merely striving to clarify the position in the Mediterranean, and to enter into collaboration wherever such collaboration is obtained"—Trans-Ocean.

Mr. Eden Silent In Face Of Commons Questions

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

The question of whether Britain would approach the League of Nations in regard to the recent reported events in Addis Ababa, which followed the attempted assassination of Marshal Graziani, was raised in the House of Commons yesterday.

Miss Eleanor Rathbone, Independent member for the Combined Universities, stated that Italy had violated military law when unarmed civilians were slaughtered in the Ethiopian capital.

Would the Foreign Secretary therefore ask the League Council to take up the matter, and had the British Government made representations to Italy on the subject?

MR. EDEN SILENT

Mr. Anthony Eden replied in the negative to both questions, following which Lt.-Commander R. T. H. Fletcher, Labour member for Nuneaton, asked whether Ras Desta, the last of the Abyssinian chiefs opposing the Italians, had been brought before a court before being executed.

Mr. Eden withheld his answer. Lt.-Commander Fletcher then asserted that Ras Desta had had no trial and that his execution was "against all sense of justice and decency."

The Foreign Secretary again declined to make any comment.—Trans-Ocean.

Victim Of Addis Ababa Attack

Rome, To-day.

General Liotta, chief of the Italian air force in East Africa, who lost a leg as a result of the attempted assassination of Marshal Graziani, is returning to Italy.

He will be flown to-day to Asmara, whence he will return home for further medical treatment and convalescence.—Trans-Ocean.

STRIKE WAR IN U.S. MOTOR INDUSTRY Chryslers Apply For Injunction

New York, To-day.

War on the United States industrial front continues.

Yesterday officials of the Chrysler Corporation filed suit against the United Automobile Workers' Union for an injunction to evacuate the sit-down strikers from the Corporation's plants.

At present 65,000 men are idle in the plants.

Strikes have also been started in the General Motors plants at St. Louis, where 5,000 men are affected.

The men are demanding that the company unions should be disbanded.—Reuter.

Tentative Agreement

Detroit, To-day.

Officials of the united automobile workers' union announced that the union and General Motors have reached a tentative agreement to establish a minimum wage.

This is the final outstanding question in the general negotiations, and the conference is being resumed this morning hopeful of a final agreement.—Reuter.

Later.

The strike in the General Motors factory has been settled.—Reuter.

An umbrella on the line caused a temporary hold-up on the Metropolitan Railway between Aldgate and Moorgate stations, the live rail being leashed.

General Election In Ireland

Referendum On New Constitution

London, To-day.

The new Constitution Bill which the Irish Free State Premier, Mr. Eamonn de Valera, proposes to place before the people in referendum after it is approved by Parliament, was formally introduced in the Dail yesterday.

It is understood that the referendum will be taken simultaneously with the general election in the late summer or early autumn.

The measure provides a form of external association with the Empire and also makes provision for the head of the state and a revival of the second Chamber.

Mr. de Valera has already stated that if a Republic is achieved for the whole of Ireland, the Constitution will not require alteration.

The Bill will be circulated after the Easter recess.—Reuter.

NEW LOCARNO PACT REJOINDER

Herr Von Ribbentrop's Return To London

CARRYING BERLIN INSTRUCTIONS

EARLY MEETING WITH MR. EDEN NOW ANTICIPATED

Berlin, To-day.

When the German Ambassador in London, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, returned to England on Wednesday, he carried with him a memorandum in which was set forth Germany's attitude towards the problem of a new Western Pact.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED IN OFFICIAL QUARTERS HERE YESTERDAY.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE MEMORANDUM TOOK THE FORM OF A REPLY TO SEVERAL QUESTIONS WHICH THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT PUT TO GERMANY LAST NOVEMBER.

A Government spokesman in Berlin said yesterday that the German proposals will not be made public for the time being, as it is considered a matter which requires diplomatic handling in the present stage.

It is understood that Herr von Ribbentrop will be received by King George to-day (Thursday). —Trans-Ocean.

CONVERSATIONS PRACTICABLE
Reuter adds that Herr von Ribbentrop returned to London yesterday afternoon. It is understood that he received fresh instructions in regard to Germany's attitude to the proposed western pact and it is believed he is now in a position to converse further with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden.

Germany's reply to the British memorandum of last November on the subject of the western pact is expected to be handed over before long.

ATTEMPTED FASCIST "PUTSCH"

Budapest, To-day.

The House of Representatives was packed yesterday when the Prime Minister, Dr. Kálmán Darányi, made his anxiously awaited statement on the recent attempted Fascist putsch in Hungary.

The Premier declared that it was the special duty of the Government to keep a strict watch on all movements in the country and to see that these did not assume forms and dimensions that threatened public order.

No such peril now existed in Hungary, and there was no justification for the assertions that a foreign influence had been at work. —Trans-Ocean.

RAID ON BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Koenigsberg, To-day.

The police yesterday raided the headquarters here of the international Bible study group and confiscated a large amount of "propaganda material."

The propaganda, says a statement, was all sealed up in packages ready for mailing.

Two leaders of the East Prussian section of the group have been sentenced to five years' imprisonment. —Trans-Ocean.

BACHELORS' DEFENCE CLUB

Bachelors who live at Ilfracombe have formed a Defence Club.

A member seen talking to a girl is fined the first time, and suspended the second time.

Mr. Harry Chapman, chairman of the club, says:

"Far too many so-called confirmed bachelors have recently been married in Ilfracombe. The club will prevent bachelors from falling easy prey."

The feminine population of Ilfracombe is amused, but not alarmed.

North Atlantic Air Route Plans

Sir Philip Sassoon, replying to a Commons question, said that in the North Atlantic, it was hoped to commence experimental flights towards the end of May if flying conditions in Newfoundland would permit of the operation of flying boats. —British Wireless.

WAR TROPHIES RETURNED

Danzig, To-day.

Another case of Great War trophies being returned was recorded here yesterday when Herr Greiser, President of the Danzig Senate, handed to the French consul, Baron de la Tournelle, a collection of identification papers.

Herr Greiser had acquired the papers when he was a naval airman during the War in Flanders.

The papers were found on a dead French aviator who had been shot down in a dog-fight.

In handing the papers to the French consul, Herr Greiser made the request that they be returned to the relatives of the airman. —Trans-Ocean.

CRUISER SENT TO RESCUE

Paris, To-day.

An official communique issued by the French Admiralty describes the bombing attack made on the French steamer "Djebelantar" off the Spanish coast yesterday.

THE FIRST BOMB WAS DROPPED ABOVE THE SHIP WHEN SHE WAS OFF THE BALEARIC ISLANDS ON HER WAY FROM PHILIPPEVILLE TO MARSEILLES.

TWO MORE BOMBS FOLLOWED, ALL OF THEM MISSING THE SHIP AND EXPLODING HARMLESSLY IN THE SEA, WHILE A FOURTH MISSILE GLANCED OFF THE SHIP'S BOW AND EXPLODED WITHOUT DOING MUCH DAMAGE.

A fifth bomb was dropped which penetrated the upper deck and reached the engine-room. Fortunately the bomb was a "dud."

A French warship, says the communique, has been sent to escort the steamer into port.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY

It is believed in Paris that the plane was a rebel machine which mistook the French steamer for one chartered by the Madrid Government. —Trans-Ocean.

Reuter states that a French steamer has wirelessed that she was bombed from the air 115 miles east of Majorca. Some material damage was done but none was wounded.

It is stated that a bomb fell on the deck of the steamer but failed to explode.

On receipt of the news, says Reuter, the French Admiralty sent

a warship to convey the steamer to Marseilles.

Dutch Ship Seized

The Hague, To-day.

The captain of the Netherlands freighter "Serooskerk," from Rotterdam to Mediterranean ports, has wirelessed stating that a Spanish rebel warship has ordered him to Ceuta.

The Netherlands charge d'affaires at Tangier has lodged an emphatic protest against seizure of the Netherlands ship.

The "Serooskerk" was later released. —Reuter.

Another Protest

Trans-Ocean adds that the Netherlands Government has authorized its representative at Tangiers to protest against the earlier seizure of another Netherlands steamer, the "Triton."

End Of Anti-God Activity

MOSCOW, TO-DAY.

END OF THE ANTI-GOD MOVEMENT IS STATISTICALLY FORESHADOWED IN AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

The statement reveals that membership of the Bezbojniks, or militant godless league, has fallen from 5,000,000 in 1933 to below 2,000,000.

Many anti-religious organisations are threatened with disintegration and the Commissariat of Education has closed five anti-religious museums in the provinces and suspended an important anti-religious institute with a membership of 3,000.

The Komsomol, another anti-religious organisation, has abandoned its efforts in many parts of the country.

Encouraged by the freedom of worship guaranteed under the new Constitution, the Church is beginning a new drive. —Reuter.

OBLIGATIONS OF BRITISH SHIPS

New Bill Debated In House Of Lords

LORD PLYMOUTH CHEERED

London, To-day.

Lord Plymouth, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs and Chairman of the International Non-intervention Committee, was warmly cheered in the House of Lords on rising to move the second reading of the bill imposing a legal obligation on British shipping bound for Spanish ports to comply with the procedure of the system of supervision established by the 27 Governments participating in non-intervention agreement.

It was obvious, Lord Plymouth said that any delay in bringing the system into force would be very dangerous and some untoward incident might undo the work so painfully accomplished.

He explained that if the international staff of observers witnessed any apparent infringement of the agreement by British ships they would inform the Board of Trade which would consider what proceedings should be taken.

Mine Protest

The second reading was unanimously agreed.

In reply to the debate Lord Plymouth, referring to a point raised by the Labour Peer, Lord Strabolgi, regarding the laying of mines, said the British Government view was that such laying was not justified except where proper and adequate notice had been given.

Sir Henry Chilton had been instructed to protest to General Franco against the failure to notify the laying of mines at places remote from Spanish ports. —British Wireless.

SPRING FEVER...

THE calendar says the winter's nearly over. A morning lanced with pale sunshine, and we run to meet the spring. Next day comes a damp cold spell and we meditate upon our foolishness with a streaming cold in the head.

Clothes are like that. We have the most excellent coat, two adequate hats, the nicest jersey that ever came out of the Tyrol. They are good for months. Then we see the hat. An absurd affair with no brim and four roses balanced on top of the crown. A veil fragile with conceit. Immediately the urge for new clothes is upon us.

Hong Kong Singers

Special Coronation Programme

The Hong Kong Singers have begun active rehearsals of the two works which will form their special Coronation Recital, to be given sometime early in May. The works are Elgar's "Coronation Ode" and Dyson's "In Honour of the City."

As at their last successful presentation of "Elijah," the Singers will again be accompanied by full orchestra and will be under the conductorship of Mr. Lindsay A. Lafford, F.R.C.O., L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M.

The "Coronation Ode" is a straightforward setting for S.A.T.B. Soloists and Chorus, which presents no particular difficulties. The Dyson work, however, is a new departure for the Singers. It is a highly original setting of a 15th century poem by William Dunbar in praise of London, "of all townes a per se," distinctly modern in manner and presenting a number of problems with which the Singers are probably not already familiar. The Chorus, however, has tackled the work with enthusiasm, and though only two rehearsals have hitherto been held, they have already made good progress.

Rehearsals are held every Tuesday afternoon at the Union Church, Kennedy Road, at 5.30 p.m. New members, especially tenors, will always be welcomed, and applications for membership can, if desired, be addressed to the Hon. Secretary of the Singers, Mr. A. R. Addison, No. 8, Aimal Villas, Kowloon, or the Chairman, Professor L. T. Ride, C/o The University. Further copies of the works concerned will shortly be available at the Tsang Fook Piano Co., Marina House.

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The trouble with so many women is that they buy the hat without so much as a thought for their other clothes—present or future. They indulge their heads at the expense of their feet and their figures.

The hat—its price ticket safely disposed of—is still delicious a week afterwards, but just as firm in its refusal to "go" happily with anything else in the wardrobe. It is, indeed, a millinery "misfit" bought apropos of nothing, and whilst thinking of the spring and far-off fields.

It is always perfectly clear to the trained observer whether or not a woman has planned her wardrobe. However excellent each individual garment may be the unplanned collection of clothes has a haphazard air about it. It lacks that enchanted possession—poise

—and often disregards fitness of purpose altogether.

Thus we see the kilted edge of a printed silk frock fluttering a little beneath the hem of an extremely nice tweed travelling coat.

Ability to discriminate is the keynote of good dressing. Decide upon a thinner coat, a suit or a jacket frock according to your contours and how much you feel the cold. Pay as much as you can for it, but do remember that your feet and your foundation garment are even more important.

Experiment with colours by all means, but only with three at a time, unless you really like harlequin effects. Some people do. Keep the colours as a surprise rather than fling them as a challenge. Plain dark suit, hat to match, vivid bag and cravat.

It is wise to choose hats and bags and shoes together, and have two sets for each outfit. It means you will spend more on the outposts than on the main body, but this piece of apparent extravagance is the whole secret of true dress sense.

Make a list. Write down the clothes you really require. Leave the others out altogether. The smartest wardrobe is small. This may sound tiresome, but it is true, and budgeting in black and white is the best safeguard against spring fever and sartorial disaster.

PUNITIVE ORDER

Budapest, To-day.

Persons attempting to "obstruct" the Hungarian Government will be harshly dealt with under a new Order issued here yesterday. — Trans-Ocean.

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RAW MATERIALS PARLEY

Status Of Colonies Excluded From Discussion

Anglo-American Trade Pact

Washington, To-day.
Informal conversations are progressing regarding a trade agreement between Great Britain and the United States, according to the Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Daniel Roper. Mr. Roper added that a "very close and intelligent study is being made of the possibilities."
—Reuter.

Challenge For Blue Riband

Paris, To-day.
Officials of the French Line yesterday unofficially stated that the giant liner "Normandie", which sails from Le Havre for New York to-day, will make an attempt on the Blue Riband.
The record for the fastest crossing of the Atlantic was previously held by the French liner, but was later captured by the "Queen Mary."

Officials reveal that the "Normandie" has been fitted out with four new turbines, and confidence is expressed that she will regain the Blue Riband for France.

The "Normandie" is only able to sail to-day owing to Government intervention in the maritime strike in Le Havre, which was settled yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

Sailing May Be Delayed

Reuter contradicts the Trans-Ocean report that the "Normandie" is sailing this morning.

A message from Le Havre, Reuter states, reveals that the lightning strike has terminated and that the men will return to work this morning but that the "Normandie" will be unable to sail then on an attempt to establish a new Atlantic record on her first trip in 1937 to New York.

JUNKERS PLANE LEAVES

The junkers monoplane which left Germany on March 3 and arrived in the Colony from Bangkok via Hanoi yesterday afternoon, hopped off for Shanghai at 8.09 this morning. Under the command of Capt. Ratchge, the plane has accommodation for 14 passengers and ample mails and freight. On arrival at Shanghai it will be handed over to its new owners, the Eurasia Air Lines.

Three months' hard labour was imposed on Ip Yau at the Central Magistracy for the theft of three water meter covers, valued at \$10 each from different addresses in New Street.

Establishment Of Committees

Geneva, To-day.

All questions regarding distribution and transfer of colonial territories are outside the competence of the raw materials committee, and the committee had to deal only with the question of distribution of raw materials.

SO DECLARED M. WALTER STUCKI, THE SWISS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, YESTERDAY WHEN THE RAW MATERIALS CONFERENCE CONCLUDED ITS GENERAL DISCUSSION.

It was decided yesterday to establish three sub-committees.

1. To investigate statistics of production and distribution of raw materials.
2. To examine existing legislation in countries producing raw materials, and other factors likely to influence commercial access to such materials.
3. To ascertain why certain countries consuming raw materials were unable to use existing possibilities for obtaining supplies.

M. Stucki stated that the conference also appeared to have agreed that statistics be prepared not only of industrial raw materials but of chief footstuffs for men or animals.

The work would also not be limited to colonial products but would include raw materials from all sources.—Reuter.

RUSSIAN VIEW

The views of the Russian, Mexican, Portuguese and Canadian delegates were voiced at yesterday's session.

The Russian representative, M. Rosenblum, spoke first and said that he would decline to discuss the colonial issue.

He was in favour, however, of examination of such questions as the open door and non-discrimination in granting access to raw materials.

He criticised those countries lacking in raw materials, declaring that the whole matter should be treated in its political as well as its economic aspects.

PRICE FACTORS

Senor Robles (Mexico) said that the problem of raw materials had been made complicated by the questions of prices, currency, credit, commercial policy and the power of labour.

He suggested that the raw material producing countries should solve the problem by exchanging these materials for manufactured goods.

Senhor Fernandez (Portugal) endorsed the view expressed some few weeks ago by the British First Lord of the Admiralty, Sir Samuel Hoare, that examination should be confined to raw materials originating in the colonies.

Even countries with vast colonial possessions sometimes found difficulty in obtaining necessary raw materials.

He gave Portugal as example. Portugal, he said, would continue to pursue a policy of moderate protectionism within the scope of free exchange of goods.

Mere formulas, such as the "open door," would not solve the problem.

CANADA'S OPINION

Canada was in favour of equal commercial access to raw materials, declared its delegate.

Three members were then appointed to the sub-committee which will examine statistical questions. They were Sir Henry Strakosch (South Africa), Mr. Grady (United States) and Mr. Hogeboom (Sweden).—Trans-Ocean.

The B.I. Steam Ship Santhia will leave for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang on Sunday at 10.39 a.m.

Attempt On Nanga Parbat Peak

Munich, To-day.

Another attempt by German mountaineers to scale the 26,629-foot high Nanga-Parbat peak in the Himalayas is to be made this year.

An expedition led by Dr. Karl Ween will sail from Genoa for India on April 11.

Several expeditions have tried to conquer Nanga-Parbat in past years, but the highest point yet attained by man is the Kamat peak, also in the Himalayas, which reaches a height of 25,431 feet.—Trans-Ocean.

French Defence Loan Bill Passed

Paris, To-day.

The Chamber yesterday passed the Defence Loan Bill by 474 votes to 39 on its return from the Senate.—Reuter.

L.C.C. CHAIRMAN

London, To-day.

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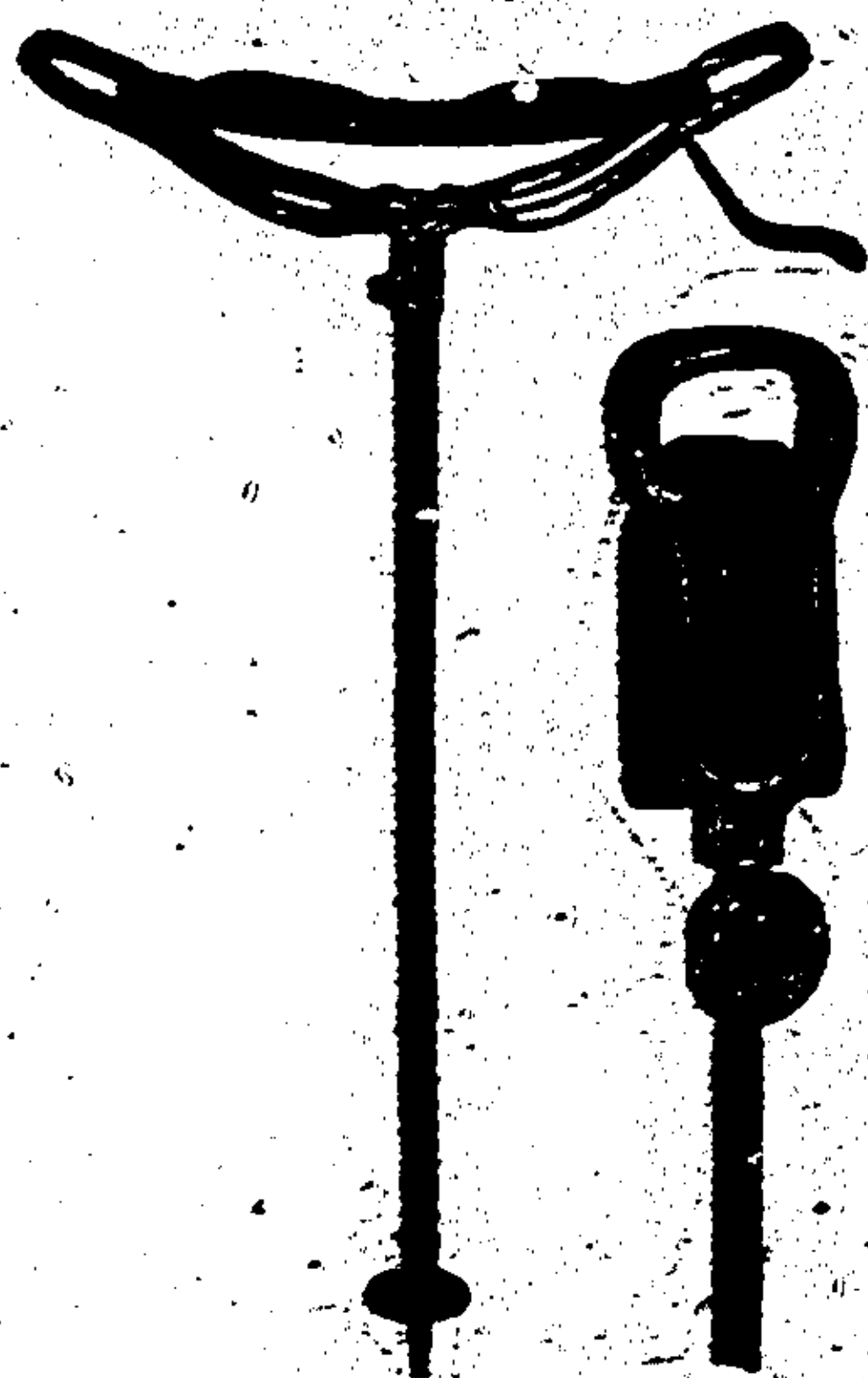


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Hong Kong, Thursday, March 11, 1937.

WELL WORTH WHILE

During the last few weeks much has been said — not only at Kowloon Residents' Association annual meetings — on the duties, responsibilities, and privileges of citizenship. We have had educationists at school prize-givings telling of the means by which school children could be turned into efficient citizens. In the schools the child should almost unconsciously absorb the right atmosphere and undergo a kind of preparation for the life of the adult citizen. He should learn to appreciate the value of citizenship.

Finally we had one of our municipalisers, if the term may be permitted, making an eloquent appeal to the Government on the merits of handing over municipal matters to public-spirited citizens and at the same time asking Kowloon residents to consider how important and essential to their own welfare and happiness was an active interest in civic affairs.

It is probably not often, or thoughtfully, that people try to visualise as a whole the business of running a township. Every day and all day the wants of thousands of persons have to be attended to promptly and efficiently — watching by the police, safety by our firemen, the maintenance, cleaning, and lighting of miles of streets, the supply of water, control of transport by bus; the vast number of material things and services that have to be provided; it is a stupendous undertaking, and the marvel is that here in Hong Kong under our highly centralised system, the machine works so smoothly.

Viewing the life of the Colony in this way only one answer can be given to the question, "Would municipal politics be worth while?" And yet thousands of citizens are so careless and thoughtless that they do not even trouble to join embryo organisations such as the K.R.A. who already achieve much that is essential to their own comfort, convenience, and well-being. Such negligence may be an affectation on the part of some; it certainly does argue a low appreciation of the duties and privileges of citizenship.

Bottle Mania

This so-called Colony of mid-dlemen might be more accurately named a community of medicine-takers. Whether we are the world's champions in this particular form of exercise cannot be determined, but if we do not come at the top of the list, we must be very near it. Now, if medicine-taking were synonymous with the maintenance of health, there would be

no reason for alarm at our bottle-consciousness, but clearly Britain's Minister for Health, for one, does not think so. He indicated plainly in Parliament the other day that the increase of many millions in the number of prescriptions dispensed annually to insured persons is causing him some alarm. Consultations are to take place between the Ministry and the British Medical Association to discover what can be done to stem the flood.

Panel doctors are busy men and women, and it may be that many of them see in the medicine bottle the line of least resistance to the importunities of their patients. At any rate, the patient who gets his bottle is, temporarily at least, put in a happier frame of mind, thinking that he is well on the way to restored health.

The faith of the public in the healing properties of the coloured liquids which pharmacists provide for them appears to be inexhaustible. Whether results are in proper proportion to expectations is another matter. So long as people crave for medicine, doctors may be expected to gratify them. It is ancient magic ever new, and we may assume that if the majority of "bottles" do little or no positive good, they do little or no harm.

They indicate, however, that people continue to put their faith in magical specifics when they should be seeking health along natural lines. We hear much about the decline of fitness. Surely the cultivation of such fitness is preferable to the medicine bottle fetish? The medical profession is too complaisant. It must prescribe less promiscuously and with more discretion. The bottle-mania calls to be broken.

Empty Cradles

Parents in cities have small families; in the country, large ones. That, according to a Nazi official, is the reason why Germany is busy with land settlement. What is to be done with the increased population when it comes is another aspect of the problem, which no doubt is being pondered by the men in power.

But are they quite sure that their theory is in harmony with fact, or that it will continue long to be so? France is predominantly an agricultural country, and for many a year its population has been virtually static. Again, why should the knowledge of good and evil, such as has come to city dwellers and enables them to control the size of families, not in time spread to the country, and bring about the same results?

Another ardent advocate of the large family is Mussolini. He warns the Italian people that countries with empty cradles cannot conquer an Empire. Much has been done, he says, to keep up the birthrate, but much has still to be done, "and it shall be done."

Italian women may have something to say to that. They may well ask what Mussolini's Empire-building has done for them, or is likely to do. And when women begin to ask questions in earnest they are not lightly to be put off.

There are two matters which dictators of all degrees have found it very dangerous to meddle with. One is religion, the other questions affecting the convictions, prejudices, and customs of women.

Strictly On The Level

DID you ever hear the one about the old lady who starved to death? Stop me whether you have or not, because it's terrible. The only thing to be said against the enigma-story is that some member of the party is always dragging in the old lady who starved to death. Otherwise the enigma is one of the more satisfactory ways of catering to human beings' longings to be made to feel like fools. It has little or nothing in common with post-office, anagrams, ghosts, or any of those all too numerous parlor-games which call for paper and enough pencils to go around. Unlike amateur magic it has the virtue of simplicity and, in the best examples, the beauties of intellectual honesty.

Oriental peoples are extremely fond of the yarn with a stinger in its tail. Some of the current crop may sound like samples from those books of compressed detective-mysteries which challenge you to do a Sherlock Holmes in two minutes. But the connoisseur of enigmas scorns the red herrings and fluky motivations of detective tales in general. His choicest specimens are simple as Mother Goose, shrewd as Mark Hanna and baffling as a knot in a shoe-lace. They may occasionally contain the element of crime-detection, but the main point is never who killed Cock Robin or what was the flaw in his alibi.

An example, of first quality but easier than most, should be the best explanation of what this is all about. That means the one about the old Arab, which has a certain flavour to boot. He was a testy old gentleman whose two sons were crazy about horse-racing and each owned a fast horse. Their incessant arguments as to which horse was faster got sadly in the old gentleman's hair, so much so that, when he died, he left a will bequeathing all his property to that son whose horse should lose in a race from Mecca to Medina. That was his way of expressing what he thought of horsey people in general and his two boys in particular.

This problem of how to lose a race when the other fellow also wanted to lose had the boys completely baffled. But they had to try it because, unless the race was held, all the property went to Mecca Lodge No. 3 of the Odd Fellows. So off they started for Medina, each as set on getting there second as a crooked jockey riding the favourite, reining in all the time, turning

back, driving the horses half crazy and getting nowhere fast. By night-fall they were only halfway to Medina, the horses were dead beat—and they were still neck and neck. They agreed to put up overnight at a convenient caravanserai, get some sleep and start fresh in the morning.

Inside the caravanserai they found a wise old Arab to whom they told their troubles. He said their problem was extremely simple—whispered something in one brother's ear, whispered the same thing in the other brother's ear and went out. The brothers slapped their knees in delight and went to bed. In the morning they got up at the crack of dawn, saddled the horses and rode for Medina hell-bent for election, as fast as the fresh horses could set hoof to the ground under whip and spur all the way. It was a swell race. One horse won—one horse lost—and the requirements of the will were met. But what did the wise old Arab say to make them act that way?

In one or another version that tale probably goes back to the time of Hammurabi and was very familiar to your great-aunt Sophie, as she will probably tell you if you try it on her. Whatever its age, you're rather better than average smart if you can hang the ring on it. It's a good example because there's no clutter, no spare props, nothing but a bare situation which calls only for cooniness in the solution, like the fox, the goose and the bag of corn. Among reasonably bright people, one in three or four gets it. He will grin presently and say that the wise old Arab told the boys to change horses. To which the chorus will respond: "Why, I never thought of that."

If you got the old Arab's number and are rashly inclined to think that this is simple business, here is the toughest of the lot to chew on. It has the additional recommendation of being the simplest. A man named Smith—Jones, if you like—goes walking and meets an old friend whom he hasn't seen or heard of for twenty years. The old friend says: "I've been married since we last met. We have a little daughter—here she is." The little daughter appears and is presented to Mr.

Smith. Mr. Smith says: "What's your name, little girl?" and the little girl, feeling contrary, answers: "My name is the same as my mother's." "Ah," says Mr. Smith, "then your name's Margaret?" "Yes," says the little girl. Now just how did Mr. Smith know that the name was Margaret?

The victim may ask questions if he likes, but there's no point in doing so here. The facts are to be taken as given and no more are necessary. Somewhere is the answer, as obvious as the lyric of a love-song. Unless you see it right away, you're sunk. The more ingenious you are, the straighter you think, the worse off you are. Not one in two hundred lands it. Only a sheer genius or a bright child stands a chance. It has the Indian sign on crack mathematicians and hack-drivers alike. I have seen one of the most eminent lawyers in the country, a man with a brain like a steel-trap, pore over a typewritten copy of that story for a week and give up in disgust.

by J. C. FURNAS

You can, if you like, tantalise the victim with hints. Tell him he has made a false assumption and let him try and find it. If he's a linguist, point out to him that he couldn't tell that story in any well known European language but English without giving it away—which is true, but it won't do him any good. The dismaying answer, which makes the enigma no enigma at all, is that Mr. Smith's old friend was a woman—and it was by no means unnatural that he should have known her first name. But no matter how smart you are at cards, crossword puzzles or the crockery business, you always assume that Mr. Smith's old friend was a man—and then you're gone. Maybe that's the Anglo-Saxon mind for you, as well as the English language, in which the gender of "friend" is not clearly indicated.

That is the cream of the collection because it contains nothing whatever but the bare essentials of a hair-trigger trap which gets its man every time.

The butler and the mail-box have points. Here we get into the kind of enigmas which make it worth the victim's while to ask a few questions. That, of course, is

Class B—Class A being the self-cocking, full-floating type like the old Arab and Mr. Smith.

A rich Englishman went away to Cannes, say, leaving his butler with orders to forward him some important papers that were due in the mail the morning after he left, giving instructions as to identifying the envelope. He waited in Cannes a week and no papers came, so he wired the butler asking what was wrong. The butler wired back that the papers were "here—he could see the envelope through the slot in the mail-box—but master had gone off with the key and he couldn't open it. (You have to assume a butler too dumb to waylay the mailman or get a locksmith.) Master wired back that he was sending the key and rush the papers. But the papers never got to Cannes. Why not?

You'll get questions like these: Yes, master was still waiting at Cannes. No, the butler didn't die in the meantime. Yes the key arrived. And so forth. If there's a fairly canny person in your audience, you'll eventually get the right answer—that master mailed the key to the butler—and it also was locked inside the box.

Just a couple of cautionary remarks. Watch your step when telling about Mr. Smith and his old friend. Unless you're as wary as a professional witness, you'll slip in a "he" or a "she" instead of sticking to "friend"—and then you've spoiled it.

As for the other cautionary remark—never let anybody tell you about the old lady who starved to death. It'll spoil your intellectual palate the way an onion would spoil coffee. In fact, just to make sure you'll never let anybody tell it to you, I'll tell it to you myself.

A mildly wealthy old couple had a country-house where they lived the year round, nursing the old gentleman's heart-trouble. The place was quite isolated and, when the old lady fired the whole staff of servants one day and sent them packing, there was nobody round but herself and her husband. She wrote an employment agency in a nearby city for a new staff of servants, but told them not to be in a hurry—take their time; and pick some good ones, she said, and in the meantime she could telephone the village for provisions and keep the place going herself. When the new servants arrived a couple of weeks later, they found the old gentleman dead in bed upstairs—the autopsy proved his heart had finally killed him—and the old lady starved to death.

The kitchen was full of all kinds of food, the telephone was working, and yet the doctor said she had certainly starved. The old gentleman had been dead almost two weeks, the old lady only a few days. Obviously the question is: how had she managed to starve in a house full of food?

She hadn't broken her leg. She wasn't bound hand and foot by thieves. When they start asking you where she was found, you can truthfully say she wasn't in the living-room or a bed-room or the cellar or the attic or on the stairs or, for that matter, in any room. But she was inside the house. Don't let people suffer too long over that. It's not worth it. She was in the automatic elevator—there on ac-years, is apt to become a mere count of the old gentleman's heart duty, rather than an easy, joyful trouble, you see—and stalled between floors.

FATHER OWEN DUDLEY ON LUST OR LOVE?

THERE is a kind of slapstick passion which ends — and ends love-making presented on the screen, which lays emphasis on physical attractions to the exclusion of all else. It is a presentation of love which conveys false notions to millions of young men and women. The average romantic film takes it for granted that love and passion are the same thing; only a few exceptional films draw a distinction.

That squelchy vacuum-cleaner kiss, with the two gummed together like limpets, pawing and mauling and biting each other's necks, is scarcely calculated to raise the ideals of love.

Love that is dominated by sensuality is not love, but passion. It is not the love that lasts, but a

school regard sex-love as essentially carnal, to the ruling out of intellectual sympathy, friendship, personal attachment and devotion. And yet those factors constitute the permanent element of all enduring love between men and women.

What exactly is love? Is it merely a sloppy feeling that makes young men go groggy at the knees? An ecstasy induced by moonlight? Or producing lyrics about her eyes like the stars at night?

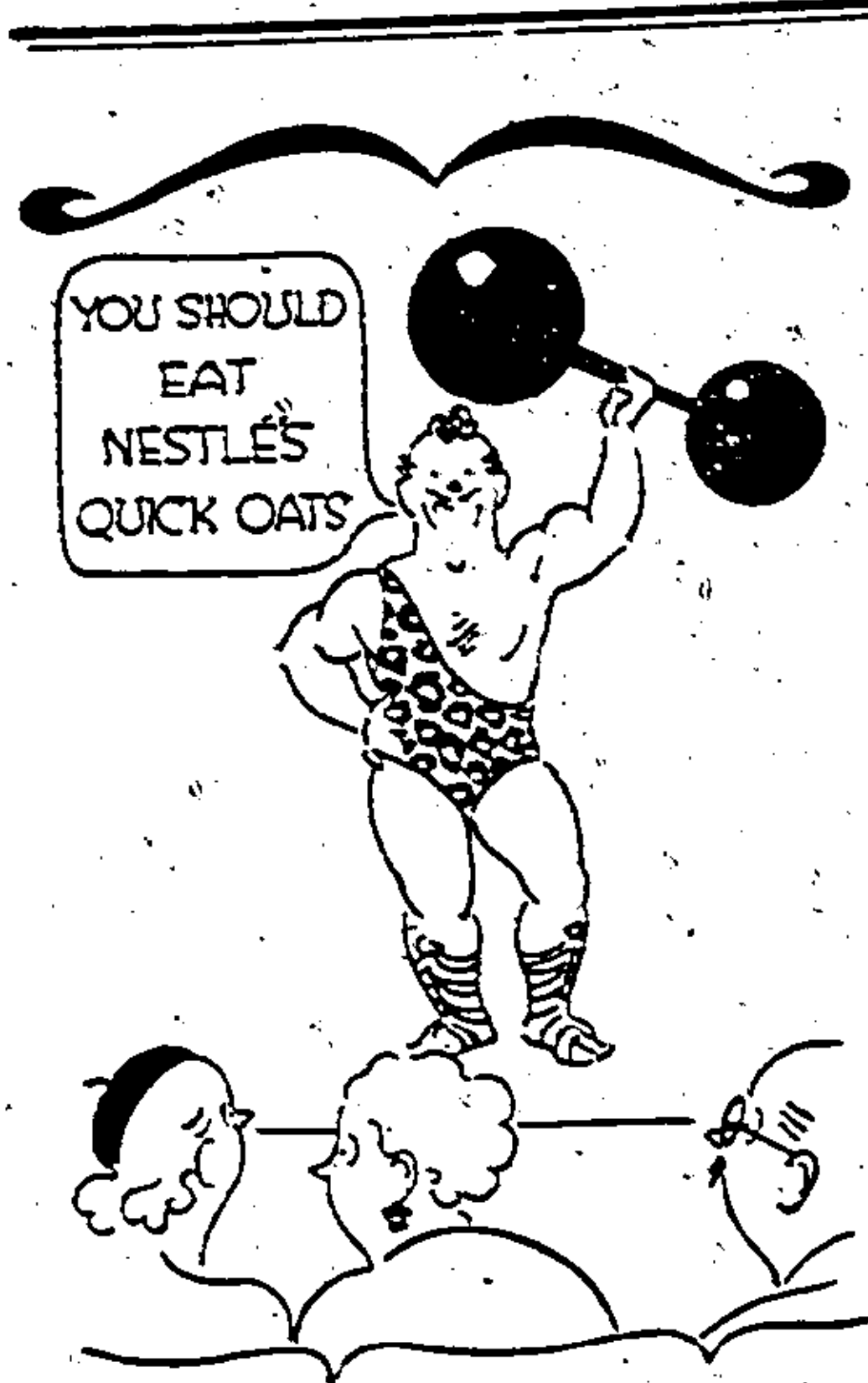
Some people experience similar feelings when they are tight.

Those feelings may be the effects of love in emotional natures; they are not love in itself. Love is something far stronger than passing emotion.

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There must be that moral union which consists in oneness of will; and that oneness of will can only be achieved and maintained when the two are at one in their spiritual and intellectual ideals.

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"The distinction between economic and military sanctions is purely artificial," declared Dr. Guiseppe Motta, President of the Swiss Federal Council, in a speech before Parliament yesterday.

NETHERLANDS CONSCRIPTION

Period Extended By
Six Months

The Hague, To-day.

The Second Chamber yesterday passed a Bill providing extension of the period of compulsory military and naval service by six months.

Service in the coast guard is extended by two months.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPANESE SALT CONTRACT

Peiping, To-day.

The Hopei-Chahar Political Council has signed a contract with the Japanese authorities in North China for the export of 230,000 tons of salt from the Cheong Lu District to Japan this year.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Dr. Motta was again referring to the question of Swiss neutrality in time of war, and asserted that economic sanctions would jeopardise this neutrality and should therefore be rejected by Switzerland.

"It will be realised in the end," he stated, "that sanctions against the big powers will not succeed in their object unless they are followed up by military action."

RIGHT TO NEUTRALITY

Referring to the League of Nations, Dr. Motta declared that Switzerland could not afford to entertain the illusion that its withdrawal from the League would offer a greater measure of security.

On the other hand, Switzerland would steadfastly continue to uphold its right to neutrality and reserved for herself, the decision as to whether she should give assent to a policy of sanctions.—*Trans-Ocean.*



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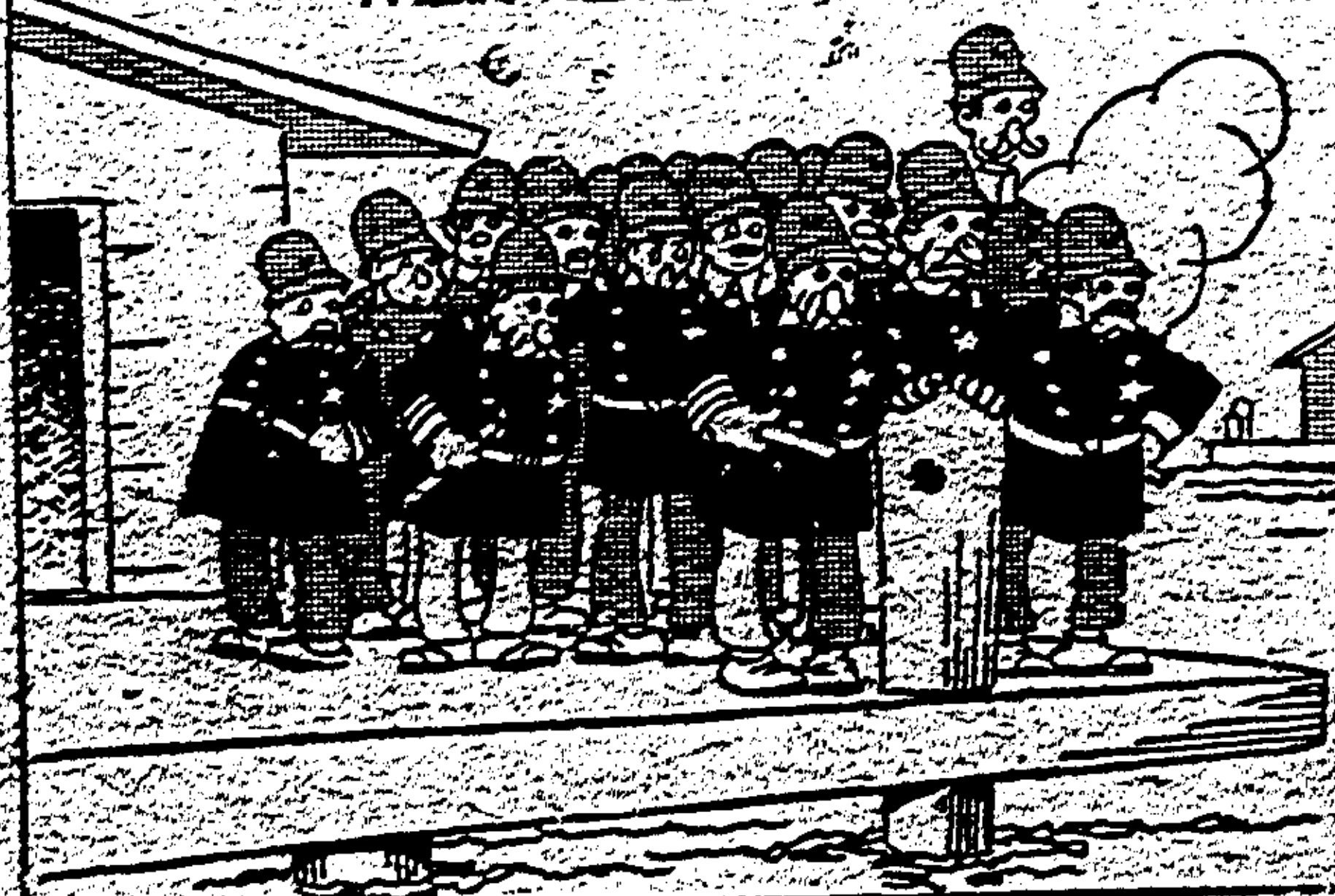
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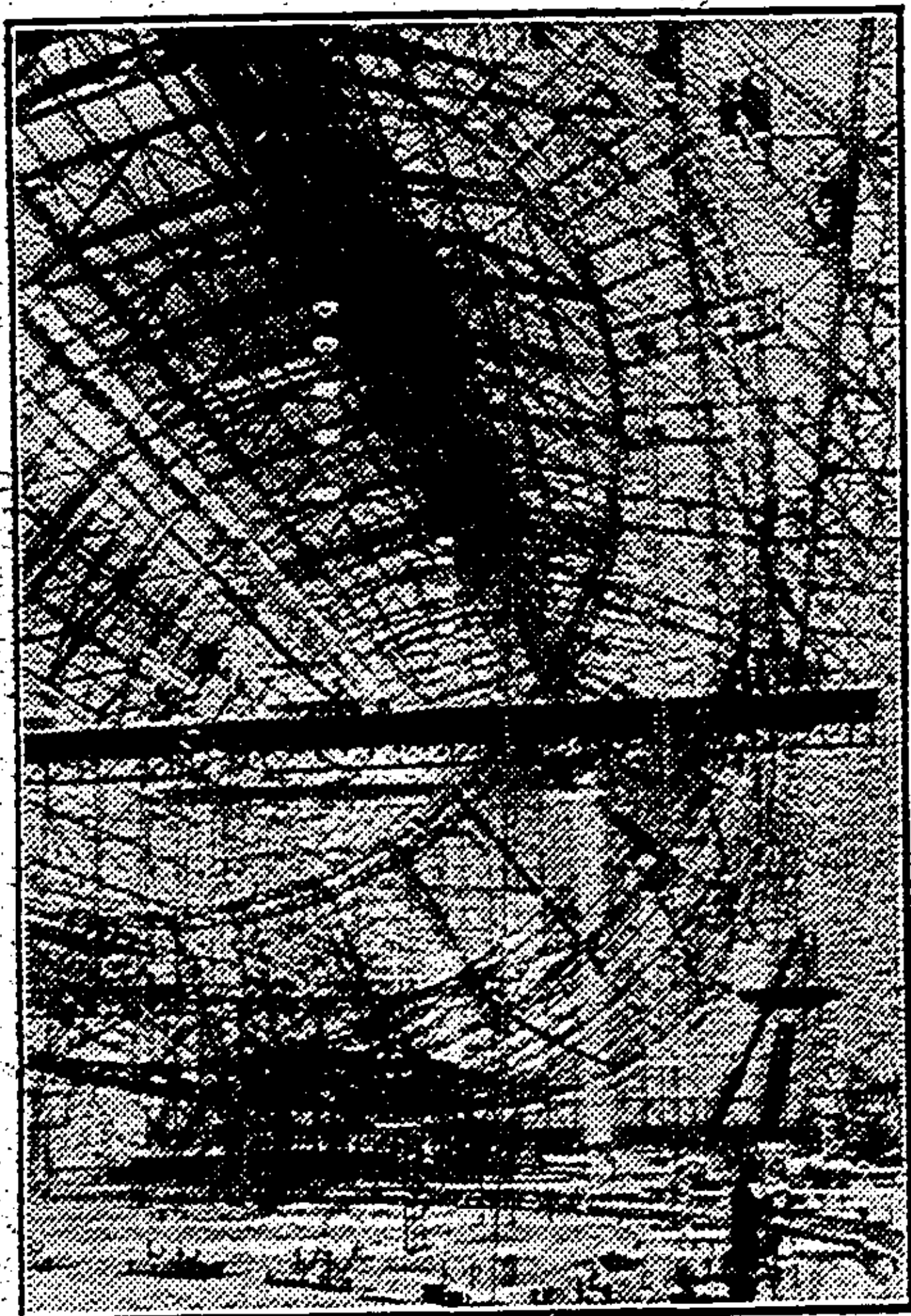
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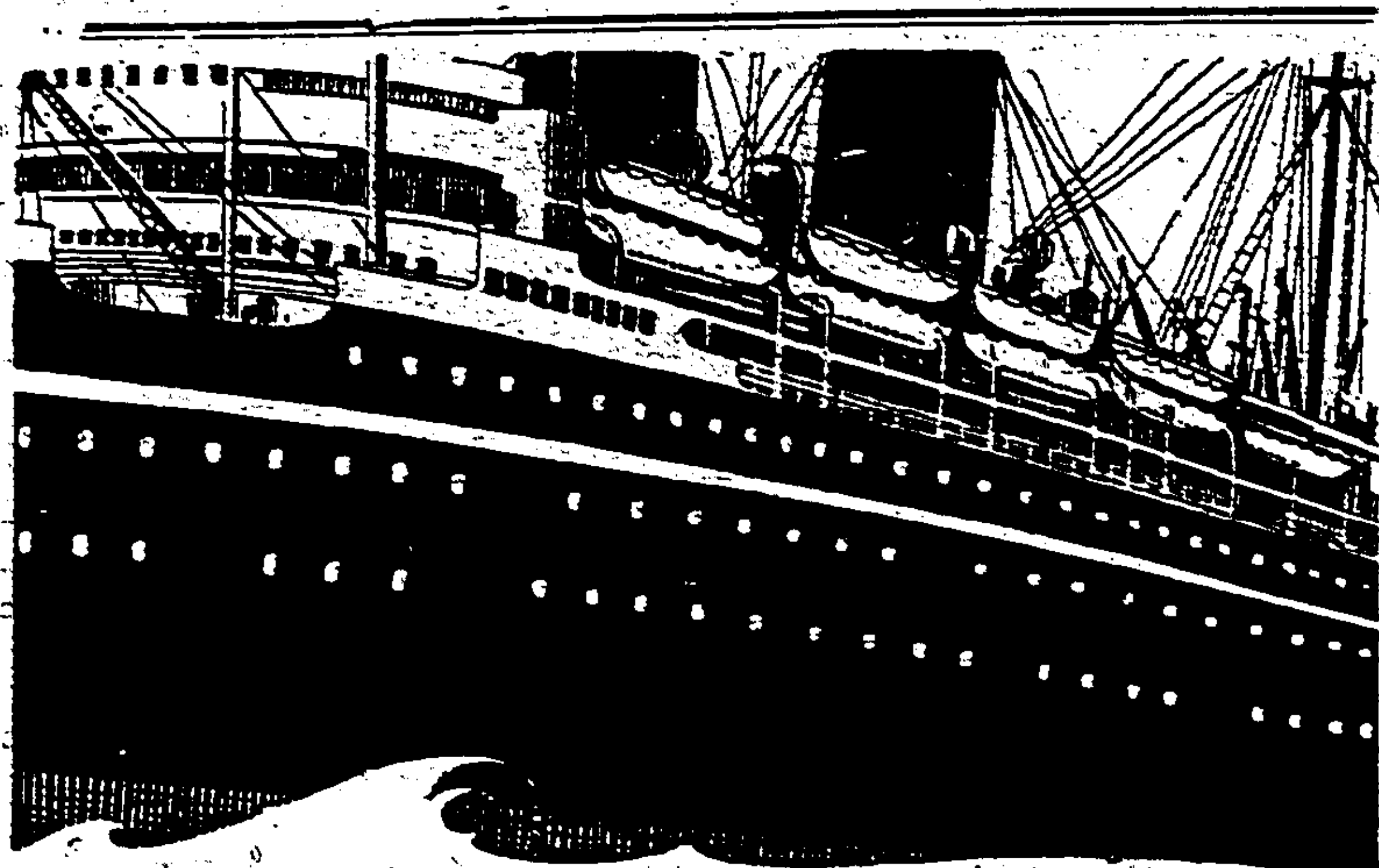
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	Letters	Mar. 12, 9.30 a.m.
Letters for "Australia by Imperial R.M.A. Dorado"		Fri, Mar. 12, 9.30 a.m.
Airways Service—due Darwin, 16th, March.	Reg.,	Mar. 12, 8.30 a.m.
	Letters	Mar. 12, 9.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiungchow	Fri, Mar. 12, 1 p.m.
Formosa, Shanghai, Japan and Hakone Maru		Fri, Mar. 12, 3.30 p.m.
*Europe via Siberia		
Manila	Emp. of Canada	Fri, Mar. 12, 4.30 p.m.
*Straits and *Europe via Marseilles	Behar	Fri, Mar. 12, 4.30 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 14th April).	Reg.,	Mar. 12, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Mar. 12, 5.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. and *South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 11th April).	Reg.,	Mar. 12, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Mar. 12, 6 p.m.
Saturday		
Foochow	Kaying	Sat, Mar. 13, 12.30 p.m.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service" (Due Amsterdam, 25th March)	Conte Verde	Sat, Mar. 13, 1.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	Mar. 13, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	Mar. 13, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Egypt and Conte Verde		Sat, Mar. 13, 5 p.m.
*Europe via Brindisi (Due Brindisi, 4th April)	Reg.,	Mar. 13, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Mar. 13, 5.30 p.m.
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ANYO MARU	Thursday	11th Mar.
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JAPAN via Takao and Keelung.	Himalaya Maru	Thurs.,	1st Apr.

JAPAN PORTS via Dairen.	Sydney Maru	Sun.,	21st Mar.
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We are officially informed that the General Managers and Consulting Committee of The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., will recommend at the forthcoming Meeting of Shareholders to be held on the 25th March, the payment on account of the year 1935 of a Dividend of \$12 per share absorbing \$480,000; to pass \$100,000 to credit of Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account and \$124,668.53 to credit of Reinsurance Fund; carrying forward \$365,835.29 in respect of the year 1936.

Green Island Cement Company Limited

An official Green Island Cement Company statement says that the balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year ended the 31st December, 1936, including the sum of \$22,552.27, brought forward from the preceding year, amount to \$66,989.17. After transferring an amount of \$4,583.17 to General Reserve in order to bring same up to \$350,000; the sum of \$62,406.00 remains, which the Board will recommend at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting be carried forward to the current year.

Union Insurance Society Of Canton, Ltd.

Subject to audit, the Directors will recommend the payment of a Final Dividend of Fifteen Shillings per share in respect of the year 1936.

The Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Society will be held on the 16th April.

Utrecht Trade Fair

Utrecht, To-day.
The annual Utrecht trade fair, at which exhibitors from all parts of Europe are displaying their wares, was officially opened yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

The sawmills and engine house of L. P. Foreman and Son, timber merchants, of Rainsford-road, Chelmsford, were badly damaged by fire, but firemen saved willow for several thousand cricket bats.

LOCAL DOLLAR

Silver Price Unchanged

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20/7/16 and "forward" at 20/7/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$—U.S.\$4.885.

STEEL SCARCITY

But Quota To Remain In Force

London, To-day.
Dr. Burgin, for the Board of Trade, declined to accept a suggestion in a Commons question that the quota regulation of iron and steel imports should be suspended in view of the shortage in the iron and steel industry.—British Wireless.

New Reich Loan

Berlin, To-day.
The Government has authorised issue of a consortium to accept applications for a further Reichs loan of 200,000,000 marks.

This follows over-subscription of the original Reichs 4½ per cent. Loan of 400,000,000 marks, the subscription list of which is to close on March 13.—Trans-Ocean.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, To-day.
The share market opened weak yesterday owing to compulsory realisation brought about by liquidation of the Dueseldorf Bank and the firm of Mathias Blum.

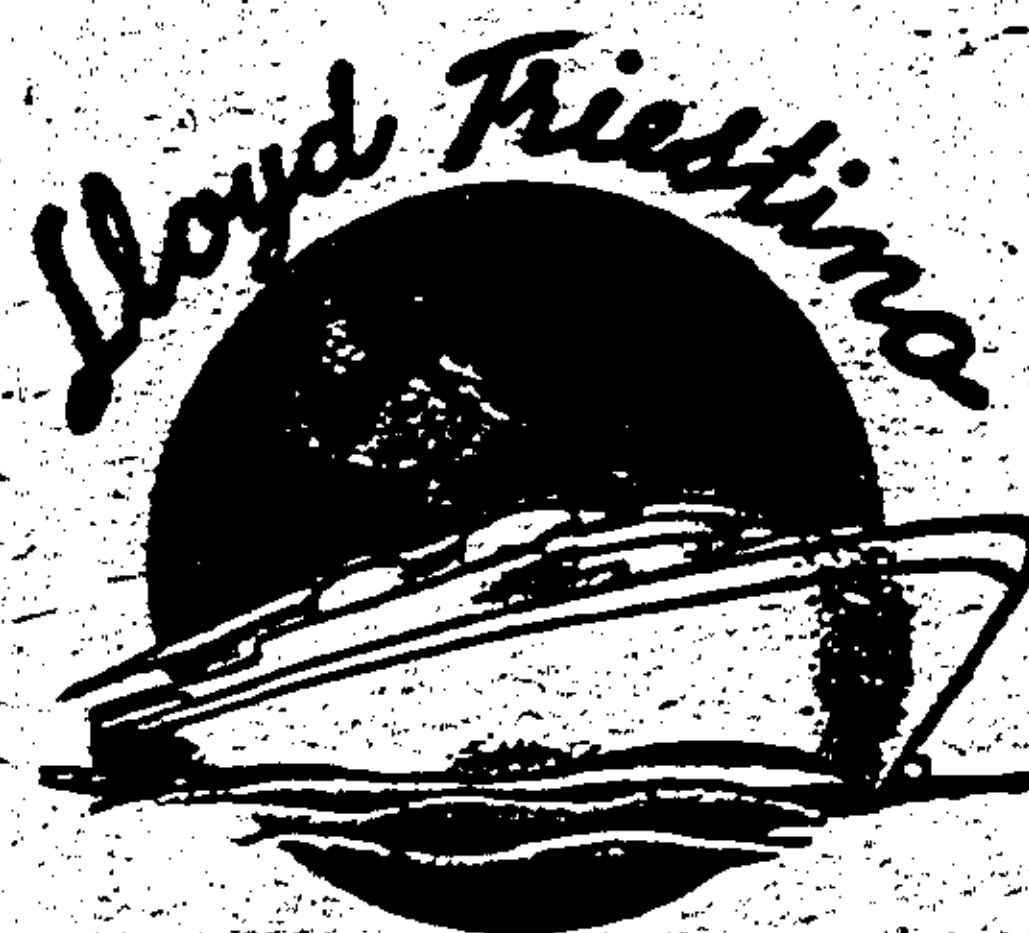
A large number of shares were over-loaded onto the market and price movements were erratic.—Trans-Ocean.

SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co., received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Spot 39 b. Up 1-1/8.
Apr-June 39½ b. Up 1-3/8.
July-Sept. 39½ b. Up 1-3/8.
Oct-Dec. 39½ b. Up 1-3/8.
Market:—Strong.

The P. and O. s.s. Behan left Shanghai for this Port on Tuesday at 1 p.m. and is due here on Friday at about 6 a.m.



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LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

BANKS		
Hong Kong Bank	\$1855 b.	
INSURANCES		
Union Ins.	\$627 b.	
SHIPPING		
Douglases	\$33 b.	
H. K. Steamboats	\$9½ b.	
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.		
H. K. and K. Wharves	\$115½ b.	
H. K. and W. Docks	\$25¼ sa.	
Providents (Old)	\$1.90 sa.	
MINING		
Raubs	\$13¼ b.	
LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.		
H. K. and S. Hotels	\$6¼ b.	
H. K. Lands	\$34 sa.	
H. K. Realities	\$5.10 b.	
PUBLIC UTILITIES		
H. K. Tramways	\$13.90 b.	
Peak Trams (Old)	\$4¼ b.	
Star Ferries	\$87 b., \$37 sa.	
H. K. Electrics	\$59¼ b., \$59½ sa.	
Sandakan Lights	\$11¼ b.	
Telephones (Old)	\$30 sa.	
Telephones (New)	\$11¼ b.	
INDUSTRIALS		
Cements	\$11.70 b., \$11.70 sa.	
STORES, & C.		
Watsons	\$4.60 b.	
Lane, Crawfords	\$6¼ b., \$6½ sa.	
COTTON MILLS		
Shanghai Cottons (Old)	Sh.\$105 b.	
Shanghai Cottons (New)	Sh.\$80 b.	
MISCELLANEOUS		
Constructions (New)	42½ cts. b.	
	Opening B. Sa.	
	10 a.m. L. L.	
	in Pesos C. C.	
Antamoks	1.40	
Atoks	.41	
Baguio Gold	.27	
Balatoc Mining	.14¼	
Benguet Consol.	.14	
Benguet Explor.	.16	
Big Wedge	.23¼	
Coco Grove	.63	
Consolidate Mines	.042	
Demonstrations	.89	
E. Mindanao	.32	
Gumans G'field	.26	
Ipo Gold	.27	
I. X. L.	1.35	
Itogons	1.35	
Masbate Consol.	.42¼	
Min. Resources	.38	
Northern Mining	.12	
Paracale Gumaus	.62	
Salacot Mining	.06¼	
San Mauricio	2.70	
Suyoc Consol.	.37	
United Paracales	.95	

Colonial Sugar Production

London, To-day.

The forthcoming international sugar conference figured largely in the House of Commons a question time.

The Colonial Secretary who stated that exports of sugar from British colonies had been 782,000 tons in 1933, 751,000 tons in 1934, 851,000 tons in 1935 and 1,000,000 tons last year, said that in considering any suggestion at the conference of a quota for the British colonies, the latest figures would be taken into account.

Regard must be paid to the fact that the principal foreign sugar exporters had reduced their production substantially while British colonial production had been expanding, but subject to that, the desirability of ensuring that the British Colonial Empire should receive a fair share of any increase in the home demand for sugar would be borne in mind.

The House might also be assured that an agreement involving the regulation of the exports of British colonies would not be applied to them unless it also covered all countries whose production was important for the world market.

Mr. Ormsby Gore also stated that he had arranged that a committee of representatives of the principal colonial producers would be available for consultation with the British delegation to the conference.—British Wireless.

LECTURE ON BUSINESS

A lecture on "Essential Needs of a Successful Business Career" was given to the Hong Kong English Forum of the Y.W.C.A. last night by Mr. Chan Wai Ming, Principal of the Polytechnic Commercial School.

Yokohama Specie Bank Profit

The Yokohama Specie Bank has received a cablegram from the Head Office to the effect that, at the 114th half yearly ordinary general meeting of shareholders held at Yokohama, on the 10th instant, a net profit of Yen 17,458,919.91 was shown, including Yen 10,446,651.83 carried over from last account. It was resolved to make the following allocations:—

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Y. 17,458,919.91

COMMODITY PRICES

The following quotations have been received by Reuter:—

	Prev.	Yesterday	Closing	Closing
New York Cotton:				
March	14.07	14.27		
May	13.67	13.85		
July	13.50	13.69		
October	13.11	13.29		
December	13.00	13.19		
January	13.01	13.19		
Spot	14.27	14.44		
New York Rubber:				
March	22.62n	23.48n		
May	22.71	23.60		
July	22.85	23.72		
September	22.89	23.80		
December	22.92	23.84		
Chicago Wheat:				
May	136¾	137½		
July	119¼	122		
September	116¼	119½		
Chicago Corn:				
May	109¾	109¾		
July	105	105½		
September	99	99¾		
Winnipeg Wheat:				
May	130	132¾		
July	126	129¾		
October	115½	118¾		

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BADMINTON QUARTER-FINAL MATCHES

INSPIRING DISPLAY BY T. J. ONG

P.K. HUI ELIMINATES C.E. CHNG

FISHER'S POOR JUDGMENT

T. J. Ong, of the Chinese "Y", played the pluckiest game in the Colony last night, when he lost to M. A. Oliveira, of Recreio "A", by 2 games to 1 in the Quarter-Final Round of the Open Singles Badminton Championship, at King's College. P. H. Wong beat K. S. Liew by two clear games, while P. K. Hui beat C. E. Chng by a similar margin. T. C. Lee also entered the Semi-Final by defeating A. L. Fisher by two clear games.

K. S. Liew, of the University, and P. H. Wong, of the Chinese "Y" met in the first fixture of the evening. Wong held the lead throughout, but did not play up to his usual standard. Liew covered the court much faster than his opponent, besides playing a much better game, his placings beating Wong time and again.

Liew was very exhausted when the second game started, but he managed to hold the lead until Wong drew level, when he aggregated 7 aces after which the service exchanged hands on four occasions before Wong drew away to beat Liew 15-7.



M. A. Oliveira, above, successfully negotiated his quarter-final Open Singles Badminton Championship encounter last night when he beat K. S. Liew, at King's College.

P. K. Hui, of the University, who encountered C. E. Chng, of the Chinese "Y", did not take advantage of his over-head work for which he is well-known in mixed doubles games, thus demonstrating that he is more at home in a doubles match. It was his steadiness which carried him through to win both games. Chng, in spite of his defeat, gave a fine display.

T. C. Lee, of the University, did not find it an easy task to beat A. L. Fisher, of the Free Lances, who, through poor judgment, allowed the former to get away with several aces. Time and again Fisher returned a shuttle which was well out of bounds. He started well in both games, but showed signs of tiring as the match progressed.

OLIVEIRA IN POOR FORM

M. A. Oliveira, of Recreio "A" was in poor form, when he met T. J. Ong, of the Chinese "Y". During this game, Ong gave a brilliant display, evoking applause from all quarters of the hall. He surprised many badminton followers by his clever display, while Oliveira was obviously suffering from nervousness and found Ong a stronger opponent than he anticipated. However, in the second game, which he won by 15 aces to 10, Oliveira's steadiness and speed carried him through safely.

At the beginning of the third and deciding game, Ong could hardly stand on his legs through exhaustion, but sheer pluck carried him through in a thrilling, but unavailing effort.

On the whole, Oliveira owed his victory to Ong's lack of stamina, and Ong not only played a superior game to his opponent, but practically showed the Portuguese player how the game should be played.

Last Night's Results

P. H. Wong beat K. S. Liew 15-11, 15-7.
P. K. Hui beat C. E. Chng 15-6, 15-3.
T. C. Lee beat A. L. Fisher 15-10, 15-9.
M. A. Oliveira beat T. J. Ong 6-15, 15-10, 15-12.



LEE WAI TONG AND J. F. LEYS MEET TO-DAY

GOOD DOUBLES ENCOUNTERS

Exciting Tennis Anticipated

(By "ADREM")

There is not a particularly large open championship tennis programme down for decision this afternoon, although all the matches have their own interest.

In the singles, J. M. Tomlinson will meet Kenneth Shute, who together with his brother, is rapidly earning for himself the reputation of "Giant Killer".

Shute, has been playing the game since his infancy and as a result his performances are marked with a maturity which his lack of inches belies. Unless Tomlinson, who is comparatively unknown in local tennis circles, is a player very much out of the ordinary, I fully expect young Shute to win.

ANOTHER UPSET?

The biggest upset in the tournaments so far, has been the defeat of Bodiker by Frank Kwok. I see the prospect of another upset this afternoon, when J. F. Leys meets Lee Wai-tong. Leys arrived in the Colony during the last League season and was responsible for some excellent displays.

In partnership with B. O. M. Deane, he gave an outstanding performance against the Shutes last week. He boasts one of the finest services seen locally since Vines, and plays a fine all-round game, his ground strokes being particularly powerful.

Lee Wai-tong's game is based on spin and although this type of game should prove effective on a court that is certain to be damp, Leys has a sufficiently large range of strokes to successfully counter it.

ARMY FINALISTS

In the doubles, the Army singles finalists will be seen in partnership against Sewell and Monaghan and should win a close game. It will be interesting to see how the standard of tennis in the Army compares with the best in the Colony.

F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang are expected to have a rare tussle with A. V. Remedios and A. V. Gosano. Both pairs play aggressive tennis but in view of the fact that the former are slightly steadier, they should have a slight edge on the Recreio combination.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Open Singles
J. M. Tomlinson v K. Shute
J. F. Leys v Lee Wai Tong
Open Doubles
G. W. Sewell and T. C. Monaghan v A. Warr and G. E. Clarke
F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang v A. V. Gosano and A. V. Remedios
Club Championship Singles
B. O. M. Deane v F. A. Redmond
Club Handicap Singles
O. A. Hansen (+2.6) v J. F. L. Smalley (-2.6)
F. A. Joseph (+2.6) v N. K. Littlejohn (-3.6)
D. S. Robb (+1.5) v A. H. McBride (+2.6)
A. K. Mackenzie (-1.6) v A. K. Valentine (-1.6)

R. NAVY AND FUSILIERS GOALLESS

Wallace In Fine Performance

SAILORS SHOULD HAVE WON

A slippery surface resulted in several glorious openings going abegging in the postponed First Division League Football encounter on the Navy ground yesterday, when the Royal Navy and the Royal Welch Fusiliers shared the spoils in a goalless draw, both goals experiencing very narrow escapes.

The Navy defence was in excellent fettle and broke up the Fusilier attacks long before they could achieve any element of danger, although there were occasions during the encounter when Wolverson and Reglar were called into action. Wolverson was a tower of strength in the Navy back division, Reglar being much too impetuous.

Laister and Chearman were hard-working halves, while Love, on the left flank, played brilliantly for openings and gave Wallace, his winger, excellent service.

OUTSTANDING PLAYER

Wallace was probably the outstanding player on the field and had Wheeler in difficulties throughout the game. His fine body swerve while on the ball, and brilliant ground passes, should have seen a more fruitful result, while the two occasions on which he was in a position to shoot, might also have had better results.

Tippett and Anderson were the pick of the inside-forwards, particularly the latter, who worked the ball in great style only to fail in the finishing touches.

Rowlands had two lucky escapes, his second providing the biggest thrill of the game when, spread-eagled on the ground, he managed to push the ball away off the goal-line as Tippett rushed in to shoot.

EVANS SHINES

Keating was the better of the two backs, and was always very cool in the face of danger, while Evans was at his best in the intermediate line, Wanklyn and Taylor being unable to keep to their feet, while the latter was much too slow and was always robbed in possession.

All the Welsh forwards worked hard and several of their chances should have ended in the net, but lack of support in duel efforts reduced their chances of scoring.

Sgt. Isley refereed and the teams were:

Royal Navy:—Reglar and Wolverson; Laister, Chearman and Love; Bliman, Stevenson, Anderson, Tippett and Wallace.

Fusiliers:—Rowlands; Wheeler and Keating; Taylor, Wanklyn and Evans; Jones, Hughes, Sullivan, Talbot and Roberts.

WELSH REGIMENT WIN ARMY RUGBY CUP

Aldershot, Yesterday.—In the final of the Army Rugby Cup the 1st Battalion, the Welsh Regiment (Belfast) beat the 1st Battalion, Prince of Wales Volunteers (Dover) by 13 points to 7.—Reuter.

V.R.C. SUCCEED AGAINST K. TONG "B"

Clean Sweep On Away Court

At Kowloon Tong last night, V.R.C. beat Kowloon Tong "B" team by the maximum margin in the "B" Division of the Men's Badminton League. The winners were far superior and were never seriously extended.

C. A. Gaan, of the V.R.C., deputised for Smedley, of Kowloon Tong, who was unable to play.

Scores:
W. Lawrence and M. M. de V. Soares (Victoria R.C.)
beat Soares and D'Almada ... 21-9
beat Peter Lo and K. C. Yeo ... 21-4
beat N. A. E. Mackay and C. A. Gaan ... 21-11
S. A. Rumsjohn and C. N. da Silva (Victoria R.C.)
beat Soares and D'Almada ... 21-5
beat Lo and Yeo ... 21-15
beat Mackay and Gaan ... 21-10
A. J. Bant and A. O. Barretto (Victoria R.C.)
beat Soares and D'Almada ... 21-1
beat Lo and Yeo ... 21-15
beat Mackay and Gaan ... 21-15

BEN FOORD TO MEET TOMMY FARR

BRITISH AND EMPIRE TITLES AT STAKE

WORLD TITLE BOUT'S NEW DATE

(By HAROLD LEWIS)

London, February 12.

BEN FOORD, the South African, who holds the British and British Empire heavyweight titles, is to defend these championships against Tommy Farr, of Wales, at the Harringay Arena on March 15. The fight takes the place of the Neusel-Baer contest which the British Boxing Board of Control refused to sanction.

FARR WAS SIGNED BY MR. HULLS ON WEDNESDAY, A FEW HOURS AFTER THE BOARD HAD GIVEN THEIR DECISION WITH REGARD TO BAER AND NEUSEL. FOORD, I UNDERSTAND, SIGNED A CONTRACT SOME TIME AGO.

The board has set the official seal on this championship fight. Farr was the board's nominated contender some months ago. Thus Wales, having lost these titles when Petersen was beaten by Foord last summer, now has the chance of recapturing them.

DARK BLUES' BOAT-RACE CREW CHOSEN

Hodgson Stroke:
Merifield Cox

EARLY DECISION ADVANTAGE

(By G. C. DRINKWATER)
(Race to be Rowed on March 24)

London, February 16.

The Oxford crew for the University Boat Race from Putney to Mortlake was announced yesterday by the president, J. S. Lewes, as follows:

	St 1b
*M. G. Ashby (Qundle & New Col), bow	12 9
2. *J. S. Lewes (King's, Parramatta & Ch. Ch.)	12 10
3. *D. R. B. Mynors (Eton & New Coll.)	13 5
4. R. G. Rowe (Eton & Univ.)	12 9½
5. *J. P. Burrough (St. Edward's & St. Edmund Hall)	13 7
6. *J. D. Sturrock (Winchester & Magdalen)	14 0
7. *J. C. Cherry (Westminster & B.N.C.)	14 2
A. B. Hodgson (Eton & Oriel), stroke	11 12½
G. J. P. Merifield (King Edward VI, Southampton, and St. Edmund Hall), cox.	7 10½
*Old Blue.	

This decision comes at a much earlier date than usual, and has doubtless been hastened by the good form shown by the eight when they raced and defeated the London Rowing Club crew with great ease on Saturday last over the lock-to-lock course at Henley.

EIGHT SPARES

Of course, unforeseen circumstances may interfere with the President's decision, but ill-health seldom worries a crew who are going well. In any case, in the Isis crew, Oxford have no fewer than eight spare men, all of them in strict training like the representative crew. The Isis crew are training for the

Farr is shorter than Foord but is stocky and powerful, with a good defence and a style which will cause Foord a good deal of trouble. Foord likes an opponent who stands well away and permits him to rush in and swing his heavy punches. This Welshman, with his "tight" guard, takes the fight to close quarters and uses short punches to the body.

Neither is particularly adaptable in style. Both, moreover, have looked formidable against some opponents and moderate against others. With his better equipment in tactics Farr may win.

WORLD TITLE BOUT

Harry Staal, heavy-weight champion of Holland, arrived yesterday in London for his fight with Jack Doyle at Earl's Court next Monday in the National Sporting Club programme. As he had a fight as recently as Monday, he will do light training only.

A new date has been fixed for the Johnny McGory-Sarron world title fight. It will now take place on April 15, instead of April 19, at Harringay. They change of date is due to the fact that a dog-racing programme is fixed for April 19.

ORDNANCE RECEIVE SEVERE SET-BACK

The Ordnance received a severe set-back in their quest for the Third Division League soccer championship, when they were defeated by the Seaforths in their postponed encounter at Caroline Hill yesterday by the only goal, scored by Chisholm. Duffield, of the Ordnance, missed a penalty kick a few minutes before time.

Head of the River race at Putney, and are very little inferior in pace to the senior crew, so that a real revival of Oxford rowing has at last come about.

I am glad that the decision has been made so soon about the stroke. Hodgson, who I believe has the makings of a great stroke, can only benefit by the removal of uncertainty as to his place. The crew have now a whole week in front of them in which to weld themselves into a unit form whole. That is an inestimable advantage which it is hard to over-



"Hit hard and first" is what Jack Dempsey, former world heavy-weight boxing champion, is telling this ambitious student of boxing at the University of Miami, where Dempsey has been appointed instructor of boxing.

JACK DOYLE SENDS BIG HOUSE DELIRIOUS

DUTCH CHAMPION DEFEATED IN AMAZING FIGHT

(By HAROLD LEWIS)

LONDON, FEBRUARY 16.

BOXING'S PUBLIC HERO NO. 1, JACK DOYLE, THE IRISH HEAVYWEIGHT, SENT OVER 10,000 MEN AND WOMEN DELIRIOUS WITH EXCITEMENT AT THE EMPRESS STADIUM, EARL'S COURT, LAST NIGHT, WHEN HE BEAT IN THE SIXTH ROUND HARRY STAAL, HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION OF HOLLAND. THE TOWEL WAS THROWN IN.

The fight was the crudest, and at the same time the most exciting, that has been offered — and gratefully received by — a London crowd as a first-class boxing spectacle within memory. It is no exaggeration to state that the youngsters who took part in a novices' lightweight competition on the same programme knew more about boxing, each one of them, than Doyle and Staal combined.

Yet the crowd loved every second of it. The hall, holding 10,200, was packed to the last seat, and hundreds stood to watch. The percentage of women present must have been the highest known in this country since the days of Carpenter. For 10 or 15 rows from the ringside, the scene was similar to the stalls at the opera.

Doyle was beseeched to appear by a chorus of "We want Doyle." They filled one's ears with their roar when the strapping young Irishman entered the ring, cheered madly at every punch he landed, almost sobbed when he was floored in the first round with one of the most ridiculous punches that ever was allowed to land, and, when he left the ring, modestly triumphant, mobbed him.

CROWD SATISFIED

Sailor, soldier, boxer, music-hall and cabaret singer, film artist, Doyle recently returned to the ring in England in the hope of being "groomed" for a championship fight. He received £1,250 for this fight of last night — a fight for which any third-rate British heavy-weight would have been glad to receive £100. And the public, who must have paid upwards of £6,000 — the prices ranged from three guineas downwards — were more than satisfied.

The fight was staged with all the ritual of a championship. The men were officially weighed — Doyle, 15st. 3lb, 31st 12lb. Mr. C. H. Douglas

was the referee, and officials of the British Boxing Board of Control were in the ring to produce the gloves and cut the end off the tapes.

"EARLY EXPOSURE"

Staal exposed himself within ten seconds as a wild swinger, pure and simple. One admired, at the start and throughout the fight, the cool poise of Doyle, and one marvelled at his complete ignorance of defence. In the middle of the first round he allowed Staal to land a swinging punch that seemed to travel two yards.

Doyle went down with a thump and took a count of seven seconds. There was panic in his corner afterwards as Staal came lumbering at him with blows, some of which missed by nearly half the width of the ring.

"BLACKSMITH" PUNCH

The succeeding rounds kept the spectators in a state of palpitating suspense. Staal was the toughest human being seen in a British ring for years. He gradually tired under the tremendous punches Doyle rained upon his neck, his left ear and his stomach. But he was always throwing out that "blacksmith" punch, and Doyle's jaw always seemed ready to receive it.

As late as the fifth round, when Staal was bleeding from the ear and the nose, and appeared to be all but finished, the Dutchman nearly won the fight with a wild punch which caused Doyle to drop his hands and blink.

BARNA REGAINS ENGLISH CHAMPIONSHIP

G. V. Barna, of Hungary, the former world's champion, regained the men's singles in the English championships at Wembley on Saturday, when he beat the 20-year-old player, James McClure, of Indianapolis, U.S.A., by three games to one.

The women's event was won by Miss Ruth Aarons, the American, who held the world's title last year. In the final she beat Miss M. Kettnerova, the Czecho-Slovakian holder.

English Football League Goal-Scoring Lists

London, February 15.—Harston, of Mansfield, still leads the English Football League goal-scoring list with 36 goals, while Payne, of Luton, is second with 33 goals. Astley, of Derby, and Dean, of Everton, lead the First Division with 21 goals each.

The following is a list of goal-scourers with a qualification of 16 goals:—

First Division	
Astley (Derby)	21
Dean (Everton)	21
Carter (Sunderland)	20
Drake (Arsenal)	20

McCulloch (Brentford)	20
Steele (Stoke)	20
Glover (Grimsby)	18
Lewis (Grimsby)	18
Second Division	
Bowers (Leicester)	29
Morrison (Spurs)	26
Finan (Blackpool)	24
Martin (Notts F.)	21
Ponting (Chesterfield)	18
Dodds (Sheffield U.)	16
Smith (Newcastle)	16
Third Division (South)	
Payne (Luton)	33
Allen (Northampton)	21
Cookson (Swindon)	19
Riley (Bournemouth)	19

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NEW OFFER FOR BAER TO MEET PASTOR

Dallas, March 2.

J. Curtis Sanford, promoter of the annual Cotton Bowl football game, announced here to-day that he had offered Max Baer, former world's heavyweight boxing champion, \$50,000 to fight Bob Pastor in Dallas next June.

The Madison Square Garden Corporation also is anxious to promote a bout between Baer and Pastor, but it was believed that Baer would refuse to have anything to do with the bout until he has returned from England. The former champion planned to sail for London shortly where he will fight under the auspices of Wembley Stadium.—United Press.



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FOOTBALL FORM GUIDE

Comprehensive Table Shows Form At A Glance

A comprehensive guide to the form of all Clubs in the four premier English Football League and the premier Scottish League will be found in the appended table. To assist in comparing the teams, details of how they fared in their last five matches are given.

The letters W, L, and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figures in brackets denote the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted, and a dagger that that team has been relegated.

First Division

	HOME										AWAY									
	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
	W	L	D	W	L	D	W	L	D	W	L	D	W	L	D	W	L	D	W	L
	Goals										Goals									
	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts
	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL
*Charlton (-) wDdWl	32	15	9	1	5	25	11	23	17	7	6	4	19	25	18	41				
Arsenal (6) IdDdW	31	15	7	1	7	35	19	21	16	7	5	4	32	25	18	39				
Brentford (5) DWdW	31	16	12	1	3	38	14	27	15	3	7	5	17	26	11	38				
M'dlesboro (14) DwlWw	32	16	11	0	5	40	15	27	16	5	10	1	22	28	11	38				
Portsmouth (10) wWwWL	31	16	11	3	2	33	20	24	15	3	6	6	18	27	12	36				
Derby (4) WlWwD	32	16	10	4	2	43	29	22	16	5	6	5	27	39	15	37				
Sunderland (1) lWlWl	31	15	14	0	1	39	13	29	16	2	11	3	17	37	7	36				
M'chester C. (9) WdWdW	30	15	10	1	4	38	15	24	15	3	6	6	24	33	10	36				
Chelsea (8) DldWd	32	16	9	2	5	31	20	23	16	2	9	5	13	28	9	32				
Wolves (15) WlWwL	29	13	10	3	0	39	16	20	16	4	9	3	18	31	11	31				
Everton (16) lWlWl	31	16	11	1	4	41	13	26	15	2	12	1	16	37	5	31				
Huddersfield (3) DdlLl	31	15	9	2	4	31	10	22	16	1	10	5	19	34	7	29				
Birmingham (12) dWwWd	32	15	6	5	4	26	19	16	17	3	7	7	21	29	13	29				
Grimsby (17) IdLlL	30	15	9	3	3	43	25	21	15	2	10	3	14	35	7	28				
Preston (7) WdDdl	30	14	6	3	5	25	19	17	16	3	9	4	16	42	10	27				
Stoke (4) lWlWl	30	15	8	2	5	28	17	21	15	1	10	4	14	30	6	27				
Liverpool (19) WlWdW	31	15	7	3	5	32	18	19	16	2	11	3	17	41	7	26				
Wednesday (20) WldWw	30	16	8	6	2	26	20	18	14	0	7	7	15	14	7	25				
Leeds (11) lWlWl	31	15	10	3	2	29	14	22	16	1	15	0	15	46	2	24				
W. Brom. (18) lWlWw	29	15	8	6	1	32	31	17	14	2	9	3	16	37	7	24				
Bolton (13) lLldD	32	17	3	9	5	17	32	11	15	3	6	6	18	22	12	23				
Manchester U. (-) dLlWw	32	16	6	3	7	23	31	19	16	1	14	1	14	35	3	22				

Second Division

	HOME										AWAY									
	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
	W	L	D	W	L	D	W	L	D	W	L	D	W	L	D	W	L	D	W	L
	Goals										Goals									
	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts	Pts
	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL	TL
Blackpool (10) lWlWwD	33	16	11	3	2	38	16	24	17	10	5	2	39	23	22	46				
Plymouth (7) IdlWd	32	16	10	1	5	34	19	25	16	6	4	2	25	25	16	41				
Leicester (6) WwWwL	32	15	10	2	3	49	25	23	17	7	7	3	22	29	17	40				
Bury (14) wWlWd	33	17	8	5	4	25	16	20	16	9	5	2	24	24	20	40				
Fulham (9) WdDdW	32	16	9	4	3	30	22	21	16	6	8	4	24	27	17	38				
A. Villa (-) LwWwW	32	16	8	2	6	39	21	22	16	5	6	5	25	19	15	37				
Sheffield U. (3) dWlWl	33	17	12	2	3	33	10	27	16	2	9	5	17	26	9	36				
*Coventry (-) IdWlD	30	16	9	2	5	28	14	23	14	4	5	5	15	9	13	36				
West Ham (5) DWlWw	32	16	10	3	3	32	12	23	16	4	9	3	18	28	11	34				
*Chesterfield (-) dWwWw	32	15	10	2	3	36	18	23	16	3	9	4	25	40	10	33				
Newcastle (8) lLldL	32	16	7	7	2	33	16	16	16	7	7	2	26	37	16	32				
*Blackburn (-) WdDdW	32	16	8	5	3	32	20	19	16	4	7	5	12	18	13	32				
Tottenham (5) WlWwW	29	15	9	5	1	39	21	19	14	4	7	3	19	21	11	30				
Burnley (15) lLlLl	32	17	8	5	4	27	17	20	15	3	9	3	12	36	9	29				
S'mpton (17) WdDlD	32	17	9	4	4	38	19	22	15	2	10	3	14	29	7	29				
Swansea (13) lLlDl	31	15	10	4	1	27	12	21	16	1	12	3	7	38	5	26				
*Barnsley (10) WdLlL	32	16	8	3	5	25	24	21	16	1	13	2	16	30	4	25				
B'ford C. (12) DdWwL	32	16	7	5	4	23	21	19	16	1	11	4	14	39	6	25				
Norwich (11) DldLd	32	16	4	7	5	17	23	13	16	4	8	4	16	28	12	25				
Notts F. (10) dLlWw	30	16	7	5	4	25	20	18	14	1	9	4	18	32	6	24				
Bradford (15) lLlLl	32	16	7	8	1	28	33	15	15	2	10	3	13	43	7	23				
Doncaster (19) DdWlL	32	16	5	6	5	12	25	15	16	1	12	3	9	47	5	20				

Third Division South

Third Division South	HOME										AWAY									
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	TL				
Brighton (7) WlWlW	32	16	9	2	5	34	13	23	16	6	3	7	18	18	19	42				
Notts C. (9) WdWdW	31	16	11	2	3	33	17	25	15	5	4	6	22	23	16	41				
Watford (15) dWdW	32	16	12	2	2	37	13	26	16	4	6	6	17	24	14	40				
Luton (2) DLwWl	30	15	12	1	2	37	8	26	15	6	8	1	25	29	13	39				
Queen's P.K. (4) dWwWd	32	16	10	5	1	33	19	21	16	5	6	5	16	17	16	37				
Reading (3) WdDlW	30	15	10	1	4	37	16	24	15	3	7	5	16	24	11	35				
Gillingham (16) dWlWd	30	15	10	1	4	29	15	24	15	4	8	3	11	32	11	35				
Southend (18) WwLdD	31	16	7	3	6	36	19	20	15	6	6	3	23	24	15	35				
Millwall (12) lWlWw	28	15	9	5	1	24	17	19	13	5	3	5	17	13	15	34				
Norw'pton (15) lWlWw	32	16	11	2	3	42	16	25	16	4	11	1	19	30	9	34				
Bournemouth (8) WldW	31	16	12	2	2	27	11	26	15	2	9	4	12	26	8	34				
Clapton (11) lWdWl	31	15	8	1	6	22	12	22	16	2	9	5	16	29	9	31				
*Bristol R. (-) lLwLw	31	16	10	4	2	36	17	22	15	3	12	1	13	35	7	29				
Crystal P. (6) dWdDl	32	16	8	3	5	36	21	21	16	1	10	5	12	28	7	28				
Swindon (19) DldWw	30	16	10	4	2	41	17	22	14	0	8	6	17	28	6	28				
Bristol C. (13) lWwLl	30	14	10	3	1	30	23	21	16	2	13	1	15	43	5	26				
Torquay (10) DdWlL	32	17	7	8	2	30	23	15	15	3	9	3	11	30	9	25				
Cardiff (20) lLdDl	30	15	6	5	4	23	15	16	15	3	9	3	15	34	9	25				
Newport (21) WwLlW	31	16	5	6	5	28	26	15	15	2	10	3	22	51	7	22				
Walsall (-) WlDlL	30	15	6	7	2	17	24	14	15	1	10	4	18	35	6	20				
Exeter (22) dLWd	31	15	5	7	3	21	34	13	16	1	10	5	17	37	7	20				
Aldershot (11) LlWlW	31	15	3	7	5	20	20	11	16	2	12	2	14	27	6	17				

TRANSFER BID WHICH FAILED

CENTRE FORWARDS
ARE SCARCE

HAMILTON HAVE "THE MAN"

London, February 11. Sheffield Wednesday, in their efforts to find a centre-forward, have tried seven players in the position this season — Dewar, Millership, Surtees, McCambridge, Starling, Shelley, and now Ashley, their lively full-back.

Manchester City, realising that Tilson is not ideally built for the position and has had a most exacting time, have long been seeking a new centre-forward. They have angled for Wilson, the big Englishman with Hamilton Academicals, and recently made a bid for Glover, the powerful Grimsby leader. Grimsby have declined £10,000 for this international. In Tilson's absence, through injury this season, the City have tried five centres — Heale, Herd, Doherty and two outside-lefts, Brook and Rodger.

The centre-forward position, once the choice of all boys and juniors, to-day is the worst in first-class football. Clubs who fill it well seem to make headway. Mark the value of Drake's dash to Arsenal's scheming. It was the same last season with Dodds and Sheffield United, Arsenal's opponents in the Cup final.

BRENTFORD'S PROGRESS

McCulloch's 26 goals last season in 26 league games helped considerably in Brentford's boom. Bowers, transferred to Leicester City from Derby, where he was not quite fast enough to fit in with the County's clever forward line, has added the punch Second Division football needs, and has contributed largely to the revival of the most improved team in the country.

Preston North End's recovery, after one of their unhappiest Christmas holidays, dates from the day Frank O'Donnell moved into the middle. Few would say the Scot is a better centre than inside-left, but he shows more thrust than Maxwell, and no less skill.

A similar experiment set Blackpool on the road to the First Division. The best move Mr. Joe Smith made on taking over the management followed a practice match, when he said to Finan, the young inside-forward from Glasgow, "You are going to be our centre next



Lester Brooks of Philadelphia is here shown executing a difficult masse shot as he warms up for the defence of his American national amateur pocket billiards title. America's best cueists are competing in the tournament at New York.

Saturday." Last season Finan, with Dodds, was the top scorer in the Second Division, with 34 goals, and this season he is keeping it up. Finan gives the essential scoring power to a line that otherwise might be called too light.

BOLTON NEED A FINAN

With a Finan, Bolton would not be in danger of relegation. Here Milsom is failing to stand the strain.

All this stresses the importance of centre-forwards at a time when the inside men are mostly behind the firing-line. The outside men cannot be expected to get enough goals to keep the team to the fore.

But these experiments also reflect the scarcity of leaders. The Wednesday's trial of a big full-back in the centre shows the general trend — the effort to break down, rather than circumvent, the modern third-back barrier.

Other clubs, like Sunderland, Grimsby and Arsenal, to give the order in which the move started, are trying to avoid the handcuffs of the policeman pivot by setting the centre to roam, and the method

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SCHMELING'S CHALLENGE TO BRADDOCK

£50,000 For World Bout
In Berlin

New York, To-day.

The latest move in the world heavyweight boxing situation is that Max Schmeling, of Germany, the logical contender for the crown now held by James J. Braddock, has offered the latter, on behalf of Promoter Walter Rothenburg, £50,000 to hold the world title bout at the Olympic Stadium, Berlin, next June.

Jay Gould, James Braddock's manager, will not consider any such proposition, however, unless he is given an offer of not less than £80,000.—Reuter.

SCRATCH FROM GRAND NATIONAL

London, To-day.

The following are the final non-acceptors for the Grand National Steeplechase, which will be run at Aintree next Friday week:

Potentate, Drinmore Lad, Battleship, Thieffry, Davey Jones, Double Crossed, Blue Prince, Bachelor Prince, Provocative, Sea Rover, Sphinx and Capitulate.—Reuter.

London, Yesterday.

Ready Cash, the present favourite for the Grand National, may not run, having hurt himself to-day while training.

The final decision will be made on Saturday.—Reuter.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB FOURSOMES

The First Round draw for the "Open Foursomes" which is to be played on Sunday, 14th instant, resulted:—

W. Kershaw and J. R. Leitch v. A. J. Dennis and T. D. Paton, E. W. Loveless and W. M. Groves v. W. A. Stewart and J. D. Thomson, W. C. Simpson and J. F. Smedley v. F. C. Barry and C. G. Anderson.

The following have drawn byes into the second round:—

F. E. Booker and L. Jack, A. A. Lopes and R. K. Collings, F. E. Lawrence and F. A. Hill, E. W. Gardiner and E. Christensen, W. Taylor and J. McKelvie.

KING'S PRIZE AT BISLEY

Wellington (N. Z.), To-day.

The King's Prize for shooting was won here yesterday by J. R. Nick, with an aggregate of 522.

W. N. Masfield, who first shot for the prize in 1904 and has won on three occasions, was runner-up with 516 points.—Reuter.

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is undoubtedly paying. But sooner or later the centre-forward is going to overhaul David Jack (inside-right) and Allen (centre-half) by breaking all transfer records, because, while remaining one of the most important, he is now the most difficult player to produce.

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Hong Kong, 11th March, 1937.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL

Friday, 12th March, 1937.

MEMBERS of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong and their guests are asked to note that on the night of the Ball a 5 minutes service of ferries will run from Hong Kong to Kowloon between 9.00 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. and Special ferries will leave Kowloon for Hong Kong at 1.45 a.m., 2.30 a.m. and 3.20 a.m. on SATURDAY, 13th instant.

A Buffet Supper will be served, after the sixth dance, from 11.45 p.m. to 1.30 a.m. Tables for Supper may be booked with the Management of the Peninsula Hotel prior to 8.00 p.m. on the night of the Ball.

Members and their guests are requested to note that admission to the Ball is by ticket only which may be obtained from the Honorary Secretary and that the Main entrance to the Hotel is to be used.

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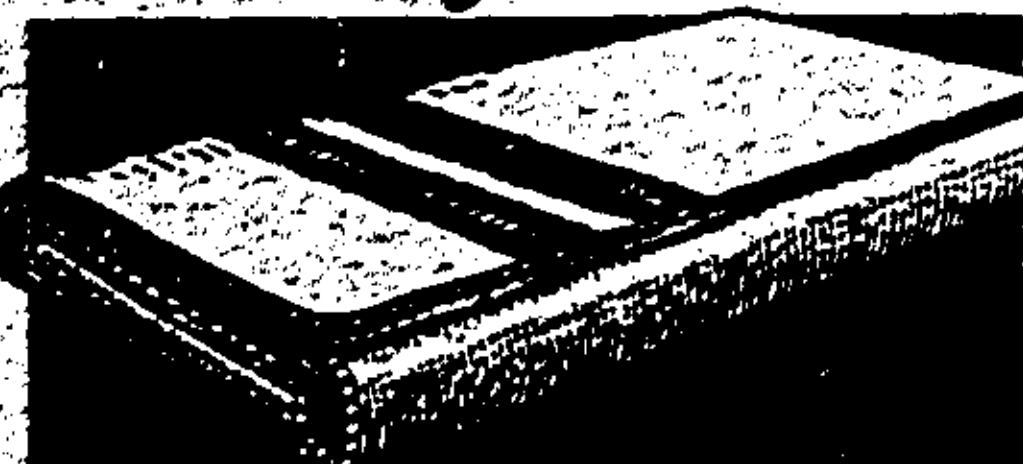
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Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the R. N. Hospital.

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G. D. G. FERGUSSON,
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GENERAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Power of Attorney dated the 29th day of March, 1934 given by Mr. Chau Man-chee otherwise Chau Man Chi to Mr. Mok Tat Huen to manage the Imports and Exports Department of the firm of Chau Yue Teng of China Building has by Deed dated the 6th day of March, 1937, been revoked.

Dated the 6th day of March, 1937.

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THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 13th March, 1937, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 8th March, 1937.

COMPANY MEETINGS

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, the 12th March, 1937, At 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1936.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 5th March, 1937, to FRIDAY, the 12th March, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th February, 1937.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, 22nd March, 1937, at Noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1936.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from 12th to 22nd March, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1937.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 25th March 1937, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1936.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th March 1937, both days inclusive.

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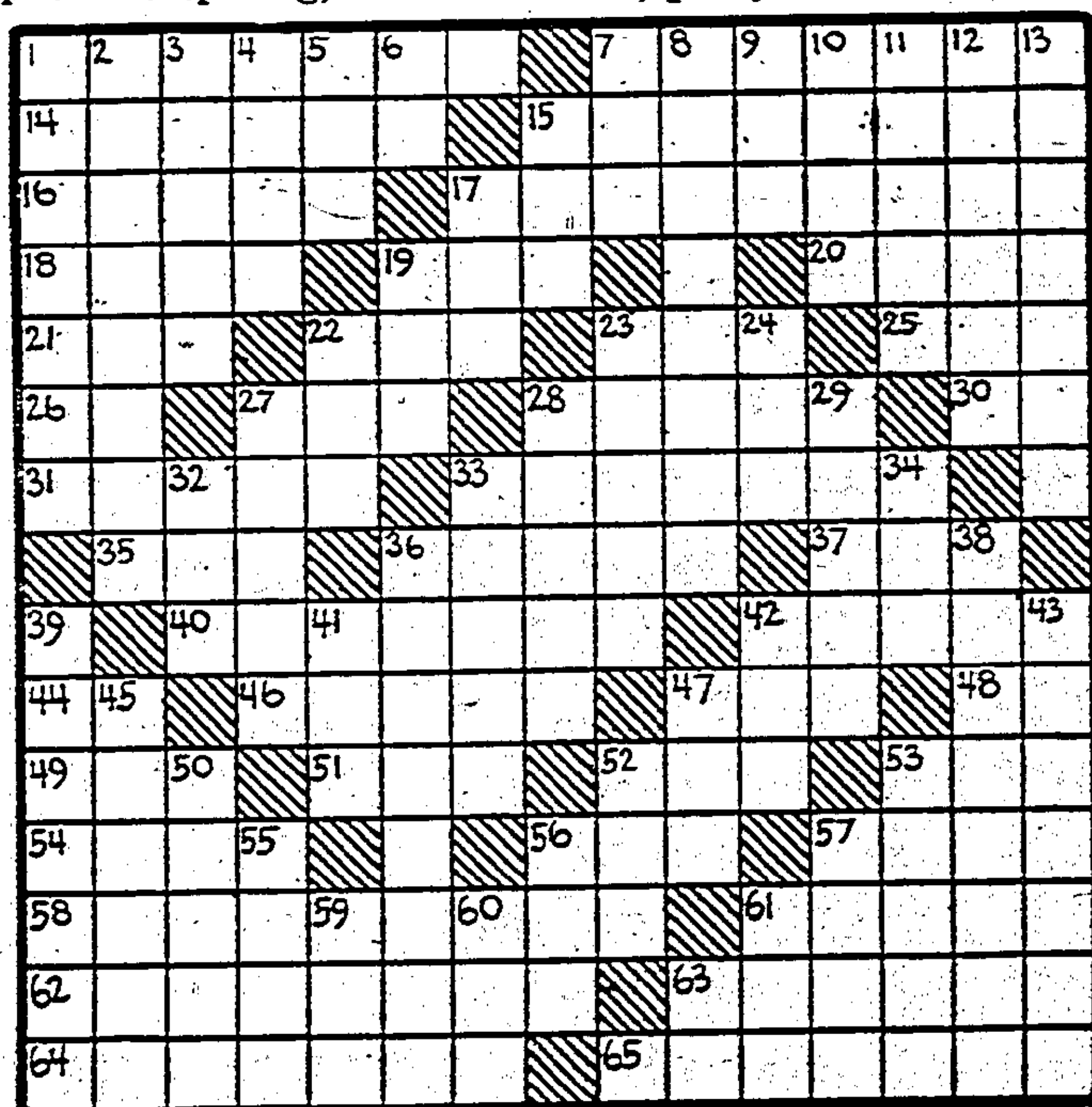
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HORIZONTAL

- 1-To flatter
- 7-Confirmer
- 14-Mend
- 15-Posture
- 16-Before
- 17-Salts of stearic acid
- 18-Vertebrate (abbr.)
- 19-To steep, as flax
- 20-Employ
- 21-High (Mus.)
- 22-Flying mammal
- 23-Fifty-two
- 25-Feminine form of 'Literate in Arts' (abbr.)
- 26-Prefix. From
- 27-Human race
- 28-The haunch of an arch (Arch.)
- 30-And (Lat.)
- 31-Command
- 33-Principal book of accounts (pl.)
- 35-Perch
- 36-Withers
- 37-Greek letter
- 40-Chinese cotton fabric
- 42-Rascal
- 44-A title (abbr.)
- 46-Sly glances
- 47-Obtained
- 48-Pair (abbr.)
- 49-Foot-like organ

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 51-Work at with steadiness
- 52-Assist
- 53-Plead
- 54-Man's name
- 56-Tavern
- 57-Deeds
- 58-Followers of the romantic school
- 61-Open spaces
- 62-Wearing away of rocks by water (pl.)
- 63-Venerated woman
- 64-Mohammedan hermits
- 65-Book of Psalms

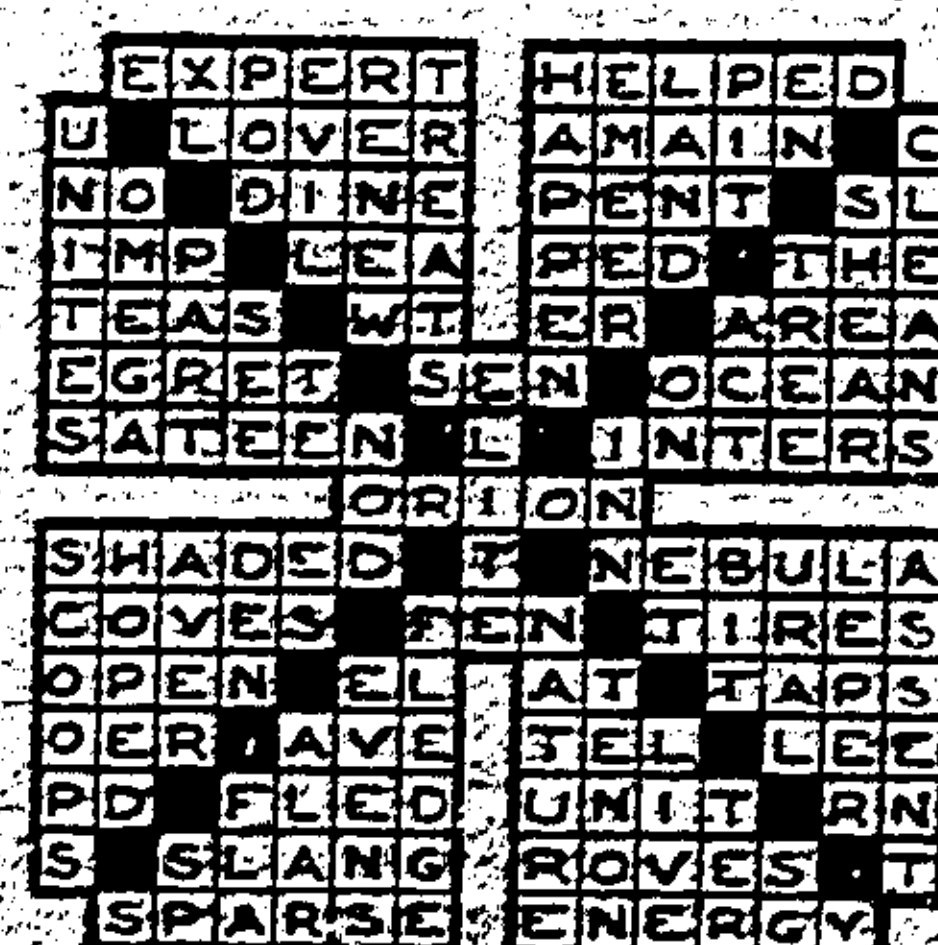
VERTICAL

- 1-Arrogant defiance
- 2-Devices for leveling
- 3-Asunder
- 4-Rave
- 5-Insect egg
- 6-Comparative suffix
- 7-Consumed
- 8-Scaffolding
- 9-A title
- 10-Western State of United States
- 11-Variant of rutile
- 12-Famous swimmer
- 13-Seats again
- 15-Attorney (abbr.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 17-Adjust
- 19-Moved rapidly
- 22-Hinder
- 23-Loaded
- 24-Freeze
- 27-Hard element
- 28-Here is (Contr.)
- 29-Construct
- 32-Noise
- 33-Wary
- 34-Station (abbr.)
- 36-Frame
- 38-Cut off
- 39-Electric unit of strength (pl.)
- 41-God of the sea (abbr.)
- 42-Turf
- 43-Ironer
- 45-A sucking fish
- 47-Alcoholic beverage
- 50-Man's name
- 52-Answer (abbr.)
- 53-Perfume
- 55-Final
- 56-India Civil Service (abbr.)
- 57-An accessory seed covering
- 59-The ancient loc.
- 60-Insurance (abbr.)
- 61-Amalgama (abbr.)
- 63-Secretary of State (abbr.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



SEIZURE OF BRITISH CARGO

STRONG PROTEST
TO FRANCO

CONTROL SCHEME
DETAILED

London, To-day.

The subject of Spain and non-intervention was before the House of Commons at question time yesterday.

The Foreign Secretary stated that British ships would be responsible under the control scheme for the supervision of the Northern coast of Spain from the French frontier to Cape Busto and for the Southern coast from the Portuguese frontier to Cape De Gata, but despite this very considerable additional commitment for His Majesty's ships in Spanish waters, the British naval authorities would take steps to keep in touch with His Majesty's diplomatic and consular representatives at Valencia, Barcelona and Palma.

Mr. Eden also gave details of the facilities which the Portuguese Government were giving to the British observers of Portuguese-Spanish frontier under the arrangement between the British and Portuguese Governments.

Duties Of Observers

The duties of the observers would be to note the nature of goods and the number and nationality of travellers crossing the frontier and to report to the Ambassador at Lisbon. They would be at liberty to ask for information from the local authorities, including statements of clearances or the passage of cargo and passengers, and to request the competent Portuguese authorities to take such steps as might be possible to verify or disprove fears that breaches of agreement were being or about to be committed.

Observation would be carried out on the frontier and the officers, who would be stationed at the frontier crossings, in particular at railway stations and on major and secondary roads, would be in a position to establish all the facts necessary for the proper observation of the application of the non-intervention agreement.

British Protest To Insurgents

Answering another question, Mr. Eden stated that the British Ambassador at Hendaye had been instructed to protest to the insurgent authorities at Salamanca against interference with British property on the high seas, in the case of two Spanish vessels carrying British-owned cargoes of iron ore, which had been intercepted by insurgent warships.

The Ambassador was to ask for the release of the cargoes and to state that His Majesty's Government reserved the right, if necessary, to claim damages.—British Wireless.

A starling killed at Witham had a ring on a leg, inscribed, "Universite, Lithuania. F. 13725."

Permission was given at Windsor Brewster Sessions for a hotel to be built at the entrance to Windsor race-course, to be called "The Windsor Lad."

Canton Train Fire Victims

A demand that \$200,000 be granted to families of the victims of the recent Canton-Kowloon train tragedy is contained in a petition filed with the Ministry of Railways in Nanking.

Other demands in the petition call for the punishment of the railway officials responsible for the train fire and the construction of a public cemetery for the dead.

Heated Cabinet Scene

SIR H. GULLETT'S
RESIGNATION

Canberra, To-day.

The resignation of Sir Henry Gullett, the Minister directing negotiations for trade treaties, was the climax of a heated scene during a Cabinet meeting, it is now learned.

The Cabinet refused, on the grounds that it would jeopardise Empire trade, to consider Sir Henry's recommendation to divert some of Canada's trade with Australia to foreign nations willing to negotiate trade treaties with Australia.

The recommendation followed failure of the recent negotiations with the Canadian Minister of Commerce, Mr. W. D. Euler, for treaty revision.

"DIVERSION" POLICY

It is believed that Sir Henry's resignation may lead to easing of the severity of the so-called "diversion policy," which seeks to divert trade and so buy from countries which buy Australian goods.

The United States, as a big seller and a small buyer, would be particularly affected by the policy.—Reuter.

FORMER LOCAL CHIEF INSPECTOR PASSES AWAY

News of the death of ex-Chief-Inspector Baker, who retired from the Hong Kong Police in 1913, has just been received in the Colony.

Mr. Baker died in Bristol at the age of 75 years. He is survived by a son, Sub-Inspector G. H. Baker, who is attached to the Guards Office, Hong Kong Police.

SUDDEN DEATH OF AMERICAN

An elderly American visitor to the Colony, Mr. Benjamin Francis Johnson, was found dead in his room at the Peninsula Hotel last night.

He was 71 years of age and it is understood he had been in the Colony only a few days. He had not registered with the police.

The body was removed to the Public Mortuary. Death is believed to have been due to natural causes, probably heart failure.

CABLE LINE TO SHANGHAI CUT

BY SCRAP METAL
HUNTERS

I.G.P. APPEARS IN
COURT

Cable thefts have spread to the telegraph company installations.

Sui Chung, Sui Wing, Wong Lam and Wong Sang, were this morning sentenced to nine months' imprisonment by Mr. W. Schofield for maliciously damaging and stealing a quantity of cable, the property of the Great Northern Telegraph Company in Blue Pool Road.

The Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Inspector-General of Police, was in court and requested that a serious view be taken of the case, stating that the police had received four complaints of cables having been cut. The high price of scrap iron was the inducement to larceny of all kinds of metals.

There were signs of receivers behind these thefts and every endeavour is being made to trace them. A few days ago on a country road, iron railings were taken away and removed in a lorry.

In the case before the Court, communication with Shanghai was interrupted.

Lueng Sam, marine hawker, convicted of receiving the cable, was remanded for 24 hours. He denied a previous conviction.

GERMANY AND ANGOLA

More Rumours Denied

Paris, To-day.

The rumour of German penetration in the Portuguese colony of Angola has again been revived.

Yesterday a Paris commercial publication stated that several German businessmen were on their way to Angola with the object of establishing German commercial enterprises there.

This is strongly denied in Essen, where the commercial magnates mentioned in the report are still living.—Trans-Ocean.

SURGICAL MIRACLE

A man who owes his life to an operation described as a "miracle of surgery" has been awarded \$500 compensation by the Australian Workers' Compensation Committee.

In an accident he received injuries to the head and brain and lost an eye.

A piece of bone was taken from his pelvis and grafted on to his head to take the place of a portion of the skull which had been removed. An artificial eye was fitted.

Mr. Compton Mackenzie presented the manuscript of his story for children, "Mabel in Queer Street" to Alton, Hants. Museum.

Nearly 100,000 tons of cliff fell at Cromer, this being the fourth fall on the north Norfolk coast in three months.

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